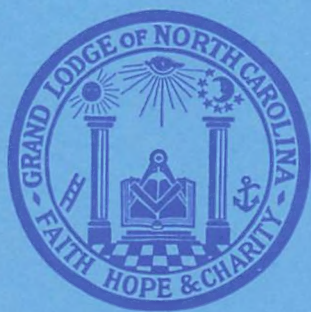


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Grand Master, 1999-2000

Charles Marshall Ingram

Born on the 4th of July, 1948, Charles Marshall Ingram is descended from several of North Carolina's oldest families. His Ingram forebears received land grants and settled in Johnston County before the American Revolution. Succeeding generations engaged primarily in farming, railroading, milling, logging, and the timber industry.

Although not a slave owner, his paternal great-grandfather, John Barney Ingram, enlisted as a private in the Confederate Army. Captured three times, the last at Gettysburg, he later joined the Union Army, was sent out West to fight in the Indian Wars, and later was promoted to Sergeant.

About 1910, his paternal grandfather, Charles McGee Ingram, a land surveyor and timber buyer, moved to Duplin County, eventually settling in Kenansville. Admired for his honesty and integrity, in 1918 he was appointed Sheriff of Duplin County, was elected in 1920, and served until 1924. He later was one of the pioneers of the blueberry industry in southeastern North Carolina.

His father, Paul Ingram, was a farmer and land surveyor, and also engaged in the mercantile trade, who later was recruited for the U. S. Post Office. Born April 18, 1908, he died on December 23, 1994, and was buried December 26, 1994—what would have been his 59th wedding anniversary—in the family plot at Golden Grove Cemetery in Kenansville. At his funeral at the Sarecta Free Will Baptist Church near Kenansville, Ingram delivered a moving eulogy of his father, who he adored and idolized.

His mother, Thelma Mae Capps Ingram, was a wife, mother, and homemaker. Originally a Methodist, after her marriage she joined her husband's Church, where she was a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary. She also was a member of a ladies' home demonstration club, and its successor organization. Born November 10, 1912, she died on May 15, 1992, and was buried May 17, 1992, in Golden Grove Cemetery in Kenansville.

Ingram's parents instilled in him a solid foundation of Christian virtues and good citizenship.

From his father, who taught not by lecture, but by the sterling example of his life and character, he obtained a sense of duty and service to his fellow man. A man of high morals, who never drank, gambled nor used profanity, his father served from many years as the treasurer of his Church, treasurer of the American Red Cross Chapter, and as a member and treasurer of the Kenansville Fire Department.

Ingram never heard his father speak an evil or unkind word about any person. Whether black or white, rich or poor, he treated all people with dignity and respect. A lifelong "yellow dog Democrat," with the election of President John F. Kennedy and Congressman and Brother David N. Henderson in 1960, he sought and won the position of rural carrier, with the endorsement of all but one of the residents of the Kenansville route. Many times, he went out of his way to deliver mail and packages, and the children on his route eagerly looked forward to the arrival of "Mr. Paul" and the chewing gum that his visits guaranteed. At his death, he was mourned by many, and their kind condolences and expressions of sympathy continue to be a great comfort to his son.

It was also at his mother's knee that young Ingram learned a great sense of responsibility and many of the lessons that would stand him in good stead for success. It was she who taught him always to be dressed and ready, and never to make anyone wait for him, whether going to Church programs, school or other activities. It was she who taught him always to pay his share of the expenses of any endeavor, whether riding with someone else to ball games or double dating.

She taught Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, served as a volunteer grade mother at his school, and assisted with the Cub Scouts. An adoring and doting mother, she was there when he arrived home from school in the afternoon,

milk and cookies waiting. It was she who also helped him with his homework, and who patiently helped him memorize his lines for his parts in the plays at school and the Christmas pageants at Church.

The small town of Kenansville—where everyone knew everyone else—was an ideal place to grow up, and Charles enjoyed an idyllic childhood. He had a town full of “guardians,” who knew him and his family, and loved him. Church and school activities occupied much of his time. On his bicycle—usually accompanied by his beloved dog—he had the run of the whole town. He enjoyed the activities of scouting, and exploring the fields, streams, and wood of the surrounding countryside.

Although not gifted in athletics, he played little league baseball, and high school football, and brought to the game of basketball an intense desire and a lifelong love of the sport. From an early age, Ingram always was gainfully employed. He collected and sold newspapers for a penny a pound, and discarded soft drink bottles for a penny each, mowed yards, delivered an evening newspaper, worked in tobacco, worked at the local weekly newspaper, and clerked in several stores.

The Duplin County Court House has played a vital role in the life of our new Grand Master. As a child, Ingram enjoyed going with his father to the Court House on election night, where the ballot returns were reported. As he grew older, he went there often, and spent much of his time in the Court House. He developed a lifelong fascination with and love for the old records in the land registry and Clerk of Court's office. Often, he hid in the Court Room balcony to observe sessions of Court and listen to the lawyers and judges.

The lessons taught by the lives and love of his parents, his teachers and the warm and wonderful people of his community made a vivid and lasting impression in the heart of the young Charles Ingram. It is to them he owes whatever goodness of character he enjoys today, but he is quick to point out, however, that for his flaws he alone is responsible.

His experiences in the County Court House bred and ingrained in him an ardent affection for that structure as the penultimate symbol of democracy and the inalienable right and ability of the people to govern themselves. Among others, they also instilled in him the spark of achievement, a fervent devotion to become a lifelong student of the law, and a passionate devotion to serve his fellow man and those less fortunate than himself. To this day, his heroes are not athletes or other starts or celebrities, but the men and women who serve in the political life of our communities, out states and our nation.

Ingram entered Kenansville Elementary School in 1954. At his graduation from James Kenan High School in 1966, he received academic honors, and was selected to deliver the Class Oration. He enrolled at the University of North Carolina, where his academic performance was recognized by selection for the Dean's List. Active in student government, he was elected President of the Class of 1970.

On October 7, 1978, Ingram was married to the former Carolyn Elizabeth Burnette, of Haywood County. A graduate of Wake Forest University School of Law, she is a former Research Assistant to Judge (later Supreme Court Justice) David M. Britt at the North Carolina Court of Appeals, and Law Clerk to Judge Woodrow W. Jones, Chief Judge of the Western District of North Carolina, U. S. District Court. She also taught two years at the Cumberland School of Law, and three years at Campbell University School of Law. She is a Board Certified Specialist in Family Law, and has been certified as a Mediator by the North Carolina Dispute Resolution Commission.

The Law

The study and practice of the law has constituted our new Grand Master's professional life and career. In 1975, Ingram enrolled in the Cumberland School of Law of Samford University, in Birmingham, Alabama. A Dean's List student,

he was chosen to serve as the charter Managing Editor of *The American Journal of Trial Advocacy*. He was awarded the Doctor of Jurisprudence degree in 1978.

Following graduation from law school, Ingram served as Assistant District Attorney for the Fourth Judicial District of North Carolina, in which capacity he represented the people and the State of North Carolina in the prosecution of criminal cases.

Since 1979, he has been engaged in the private general practice of law, and since 1981 in partnership with his wife Carolyn, under the firm name of Ingram and Ingram. Eschewing specialization, his is a general practice, primarily involving real property law, wills and estates, and commercial law. He has served as Counsel for Duplin General Hospital since 1982, and therefore is involved in matters of health care law. He engages in general civil litigation, including personal injury, wrongful death, and medical malpractice.

Well-known for his unwavering attention to detail, Ingram is respected for his thoroughness of his research and preparation in all matters. A skillful trial lawyer and formidable opponent, he has enjoyed success in a variety of cases. Ingram is extremely proud to be "just a country lawyer," in the vein of Senator and Brother Sam Ervin, and takes great pride in the fact that his friends and neighbors entrust to him their legal matters and the protection of their rights.

Licensed to practice in all North Carolina state courts, Ingram also is admitted to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and the United States Supreme Court.

Ingram is a member of the North Carolina State Bar, where he serves as a member and Executive Director of the Legal Assistance for Military Personnel (LAMP) Committee. He has been active in the North Carolina Bar Association, and currently serves on the Local Bar Service Committee. He also is a member of the North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers.

From 1993-1996, Ingram served as chairman of the Fee Dispute Arbitration Committee of the Fourth Judicial District Bar. He was elected president of that organization in 1996. A member of the North Carolina Conference of Bar Presidents, he has served on the Executive Committee since 1997.

The Navy

The Navy, too, has been a vital part of Grand Master Ingram's adult life. While in Chapel Hill, he enlisted in the Naval Reserve as a Seaman, and was assigned to the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC), where he was chosen to serve as Company Commander. Upon graduation in 1970, Ingram was commissioned an Ensign, and was assigned to USS STRONG (DD 758), homeported in Charleston, SC, as Electronic Materiel Officer. Further training brought additional duties as Electronic Warfare Officer, with responsibility for electronic countermeasures for protection of the ship and fleet. Deployed to the Mediterranean Ocean in 1971 for a tour with the U. S. Sixth Fleet, he qualified as Combat Information Center Watch Officer, Officer of the Deck, and Command Duty Officer.

Following his graduation from law school, Ingram was accepted for specialization as a Navy lawyer, and completed the Naval Justice School in 1980. In 1989, he volunteered for recall to active duty in the Office of the Judge Advocate General (OJAG), where he completed a study of the JAG Corps reserve billet structure and manpower mobilization system. In 1991, he volunteered for recall to active duty for Operation Desert Storm, serving as Watch Captain in the Navy Emergency Coordination Center, Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, DC.

Following his promotion to Captain in 1991, he served as Assistant for Legal and Legislative Coordination on the staff of the Chief Naval Operations, and from 1993 to 1995, as Deputy Legal Counsel at the Bureau of Naval Personnel.

Since 1996, Ingram has been assigned as the reserve Staff Judge Advocate

for Commander Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia, who also serves as Commander, Mid-Atlantic Region, where he qualified as Command Duty Officer, only the second Naval Reserve Judge Advocate to do so. Ingram is a principal legal advisor for disaster preparedness and emergency response, and is a crisis action team leader in the Operations Control Center.

Other Reserve assignments have included Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic; Commander, Naval Reserve Readiness Command Region SEVEN; Commander-in-Chief, United States Atlantic Fleet; and the Naval War College. He has held two commands.

Ingram's personal decorations and awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (with Bronze Stars in lieu of second and third awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal with bronze star, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Navy Recruiting Service Ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with silver hour glass and bronze mobilization device, Navy Expert Rifleman Medal, and Navy Expert Pistol Shot Medal.

Freemasonry

Along with the law and the Navy, Freemasonry has been a vital part of our new Grand Master's life. A paternal great-grandfather, Thomas Atkinson (known as "Long Tom" for his height and slender build), was a member of Mill Creek Lodge No. 125, now located at Newton Grove in Sampson County. His father, Paul, was master of St. John's Lodge No. 13 in Kenansville in 1948, and served as secretary for years thereafter. His father's two brothers, Sam and William, also were members of St. John's No. 13.

St. John's Lodge No. 13 was chartered on November 20, 1788, less than one year after the Grand Lodge was organized. The Lodge is extremely fortunate of have pictures of all of its past masters, stretching back to its first master, General James Kenan. As a young boy, Ingram visited the lodge regularly for the installation of officers and on other occasions, and the photographs of so many of the prominent men of his community made a deep impression. As a history major in college, Ingram further noted that so many of the leaders of our state and nation also were Freemasons, and he determined to seek membership at his first opportunity.

While still in college, he petitioned St. John's Lodge No. 13 immediately upon reaching age 21. His father submitted his petition while he was away at sea with the Navy during the summer of 1969. He was initiated an Entered Apprentice on August 25, 1969; passed to Fellow Craft on August 29, 1969; and raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason by his father on February 5, 1970.

Ingram progressed through the chairs of his lodge and served as master in 1984, during which several new programs were initiated. In 1985, Ingram was appointed by Grand Master Norburn C. Hyatt as Area Coordinator for Masonic Charities in Masonic Area Three, encompassing forty-five lodges in the ten southeastern counties.

In 1986, Ingram was appointed by Grand Master Walter F. ("Bud") McCall as District Deputy Grand Master for the Twelfth Masonic District, encompassing the five lodges in Duplin County. During his service, Ingram brought to fruition several new initiatives. His most successful program was a series of Masonic Leadership Development Workshops for Blue Lodge officers. Also, his district jointly sponsored with the Order of the Eastern Star a fund-raising golf tournament, for the benefit of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro. In 1987 and 1988, he was successively reappointed by Grand Masters Eddie P. Stiles and Lee Roy ("Pete") Thomas Jr., for two additional terms, and was awarded the title to Past District Deputy Grand Master.

Also in 1988, Grand Master Thomas appointed Ingram to the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Research and Development. While attending one of the

Committee's meetings, Ingram and his wife, Carolyn, were introduced to then Junior Grand Warden Lester P. Martin Jr., and his wife, Elizabeth. That chance meeting was to have a major impact on Ingram's life.

On May 21, 1990, Senior Grand Warden Willett R. Tillett died in office, having served only a few weeks following his election at the 1990 Annual Communication. With the consent of Grand Master Bunn T. Phillips Jr., it was agreed that if Senior Grand Warden Lester P. Martin Jr., of David County, was elected Grand Master in 1991, he would appoint two grand stewards. He was, and his first appointment was Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory, of neighboring Iredell County. Remembering Ingram from their 1988 meeting, Grand Master Martin selected him as the junior grand steward. Thus begun Ingram's ascent through the chairs of the Grand Lodge.

Ingram served as junior grand steward in 1991, senior grand steward in 1992, and grand marshal in 1993. During this period, he also served on the *ad hoc* Grand Lodge committee which studied the feasibility of hiring a professional development officer, culminating in the creation of the Grand Lodge Development program and the hiring of Worshipful Brother James L. Medlin as Director of Development.

In 1994, Ingram was appointed junior grand deacon, and chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro. He was appointed senior grand deacon in 1995, and chaired the Grand Lodge Committee on the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford.

At the Annual Communications of 1996, 1997 and 1998, Ingram was elected junior grand warden, senior grand warden and deputy grand master, respectively. During that period he served as an observer and member of the Boards of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home and the Masonic Home for Children, as well as a member of the Grand Lodge Board of General Purposes, Finance Committee, Jurisprudence Committee, and Long Range Planning Committee.

Ingram is especially proud of his participation in the successful efforts to revamp the Masonic group retirement program, resulting in improved benefits for employees and a monetary savings for the Grand Lodge and its two Homes. He also is proud of the improvements to the investment program of the Grand Lodge and its two Homes, which expanded the endowments and placed them on a more businesslike basis. Perhaps his most lasting achievement, however, will be the increased focus on the development program, strategic planning, and developing consensus, and ensuring continuity of programs.

On April 10, 1999, during the Annual Communication held at Oasis Shrine Temple in Charlotte, Ingram was elected Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina.

Two months after being raised a Master Mason, and during his last semester in college, Ingram went to his hometown bank and borrowed money to pay the fees for him and his father to join the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry. They took the degrees March 15-17, 1970. In those days, the Valley of Wilmington lodged their candidates in the old Cape Fear Hotel. One of Ingram's fondest memories is these three days spent with his father. They especially enjoyed having a pot of hot coffee and the newspaper waiting for them outside the door when they rose each morning, which was quite a novel experience for two "country boys."

Upon the recommendation of Illustrious H. Lloyd Wilkerson, 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in North Carolina, Ingram was invested with the rank and decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honour (At Large) in an impressive ceremony at the Masonic Temple in Raleigh on December 6, 1997.

At a joint ceremony held at the Masonic Temple in Rocky Mount on November 6, 1993, Ingram was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Goldsboro Chapter No. 29, Royal Arch Masons; greeted a Select Master in Goldsboro

Council No. 33, Royal & Select Masters; and knighted in Goldsboro Commandery No. 26, Knights Templar.

On May 16, 1998, at the Spring Ceremonial held at Goldsboro, Ingram crossed the cold sands and was created a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in Sudan Temple.

Ingram is active in a number of other Masonic organizations. He is a member of Camp Lejeune Chapter No. 329, National Sojourners, Inc.; Tun Tavern Camp, Heroes of '76; and the North Carolina College, *Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis* (Rosicrucians). He also is a member of Allied Masonic Degrees, New Guard Council No. 279, and Knight Masons SENClan Chapter No. 42, and the Order of the Eastern Star, Waynesville Chapter No. 165.

Having a great interest in Masonic research, Ingram also is a member of the Scottish Rite Research Society, Southern California Research Lodge No. 1005, The Philaethes Society, and the Correspondence Circle of *Quatuor Coronati* Lodge No. 2076, in London, England.

For several years, Ingram has served as the Grand Representative of the Grand Orient of Italy near the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Ingram is a member of a number of military, patriotic, and civic organizations. In what little spare time is available to him, Ingram enjoys reading and North Carolina history and politics. A contributing author to the *Dictionary of North Carolina Biography*, he hopes some day to be able to indulge his passion for genealogy, research, writing and teaching.

Past Grand Masters

A list of the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina from 1787 to 1998 inclusive, and dates when elected.

Samuel Johnston	1787	F. P. Hobgood Jr.	1915
Richard Caswell	1788	Claude L. Pridgen	1917
Samuel Johnston	1789, '90, '91	George S. Norfleet	1918
Wm. R. Davie	1792, '93, '94, '95	A. B. Andrews Jr.	1919
	'96, '97, '98	Henry A. Grady	1919
William Polk	1799, 1800, '01	James C. Braswell	1920
John L. Taylor	1802, '03, '04	J. Bailey Owen	1921
John Hall	1805, '06, '07	James H. Webb	1922
Benjamin Smith	1808, '09, '10	Hubert McN. Poteat	1923
Robert Williams	1811, '12, '13	James LeG. Everett	1924
John L. Taylor	1814, '15, '16	Leon Cash	1925
Calvin Jones	1817, '18, '19	John E. Cameron	1926
John A. Cameron	1820, '21	John H. Anderson	1927
James S. Smith	1822	Raymond C. Dunn	1928
Robert Strange	1823, '24	John J. Phoenix	1929
H. G. Burton	1825, '26	E. W. Timberlake Jr.	1930
L. D. Wilson	1827, '28, '29	J. W. Winborne	1931
R. D. Spaight Jr.	1830, '31	H. C. Alexander	1932
S. J. Baker	1832	P. T. Wilson	1933
S. F. Patterson	1833, '34	R. F. Ebbs	1934
L. H. Marsteller	1835, '36	Charles B. Newcomb	1935
D. W. Stone	1837, '38, '39	J. Giles Hudson	1936
S. J. Baker	1840	Watson N. Sherrod	1937
D. L. Crenshaw	1841	Harry T. Patterson	1938
J. H. Wheeler	1842, '43	J. Edward Allen	1939
P. W. Fanning	1844, '45, '46	Thomas J. Harkins	1940
W. F. Collins	1847, '48, '49	Charles P. Eldridge	1941
A. J. Jenkins	1850, '51, '52	James E. Shipman	1942
Clement H. Jordan	1853, '54	James W. Payne	1943
P. A. Holt	1855, '56	Julius C. Hobbs	1944
Alfred Martin	1857, '58	Clyde H. Jarrett	1945
Lewis S. Williams	1859, '60	William J. Bundy	1946
W. G. Hill	1861	Luther T. Hartsell Jr.	1947
E. F. Watson	1862, '63	Maxwell E. Hoffman	1948
John McCormick	1864	Wilkins P. Horton	1949
E. G. Reade	1865, '66	Wallace E. Caldwell	1950
R. W. Best	1867	Herbert M. Foy	1951
Robert B. Vance	1868, '69	William H. White	1952
Charles C. Clark	1870, '71	Edwin T. Howard	1953
John Nichols	1872, '73	Robert L. Pugh	1954
George W. Blount	1874, '75	Charles H. Pugh	1955
Horace H. Munson	1867, '77	John C. Vance	1956
William R. Cox	1878, '79	Charles A. Harris	1957
Henry F. Grainger	1880, '81	James G. Johnston	1958
Robert Bingham	1882, '83, '84	W. Eli Hand	1959
Fabius H. Busbee	1885, '86	Harvey W. Smith	1960
C. H. Robinson	1887, '88	James W. Brewer	1961
Samuel H. Smith	1889, '90	Charles C. Ricker	1962
Hezekiah A. Gudger	1891, '92	W. Edward Burrier	1963
John W. Cotten	1893, '94	G. Dudley Humphrey	1964
Frances M. Moye	1895, '96	Sam A. Hennis Jr.	1965
Walter E. Moore	1897, '98	Arnold J. Koonce, Sr.	1966
Richard J. Noble	1899	Alfred A. Kafer Jr.	1967
B. S. Royster	1900, '01	Robert N. Bass Jr.	1968
H. I. Clark	1902, '03	William A. Hooks	1969
W. S. Liddell	1904, '05	Maurice E. Walsh	1970
Francis D. Winston	1906, '07	William W. Mims Jr.	1971
Samuel M. Gattis	1908, '09	Berl M. Kahn	1972
Richard N. Hackett	1910, '11	Nathaniel C. Dean	1973
W. B. McKoy	1912	William L. Mills Jr.	1974
F. M. Winchester	1913	S. Frank Noble Jr.	1975
John T. Alderman	1914	Leslie H. Garner	1976

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J. Earl Watson	1977	Lee Roy Thomas Jr.	1988
Jacob C. Goodman Jr.	1978	Jerry G. Tart	1989
William B. Bellois	1979	Bunn T. Phillips Jr.	1990
E. Stansil Aldridge	1980	Lester Poindexter Martin Jr.	1991
Nelson B. Banks	1981	Ray Norris	1992
A. C. Honeycutt	1982	Richard G. Moore	1993
Cecil J. Liverman	1983	William Bailey Brunk	1994
I. Boyd Hopkins	1984	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	1995
Norburn C. Hyatt	1985	William H. Simpson	1996
Walter F. McCall	1986	Gerry T. Smith	1997
Eddie P. Stiles	1987	Thomas W. Gregory	1998

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 Greensboro, NC 27410
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 Morehead City, NC 23557 (Bus.) (252) 728-4935
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 William L. Mills III (32), *Senior Grand Warden*
 William G. Mathis (138), *Junior Grand Warden*
 Clifton W. Everett Jr., PGM (708), *Grand Treasurer*
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 2000 — W. Barry Rigdon (472) 2000 — Larry P. Pittman (741)
 2001 — H. Lloyd Wilkerson (680) 2001 — Lewis R. Ledford (27)
 2002 — Lester P. Martin Jr., PGM (134) 2002 — Robert E. Gresham Jr. (703)

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- Charles M. Ingram (13), *Grand Master, Ex Officio Member*
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 2000 — Theodore Campbell Jr. (741) 2000 — Ottis R. Jefferson (109)
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 2002 — William L. Dill (3) 2002 — James E. Vann (1)

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- 2000 — Charles E. Scott Jr. (289), *President*
 2001 — James R. Goodman Jr. (691) 2002 — David B. Wilson (384)
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 2000 — Galard C. Moore Jr. (244) 2000 — Paul C. Holbrook (483)
 2000 — J. Tommy Dowdy (463) 2001 —
 2001 — Joseph J. Vale (590) 2001 — Charles E. Morris Jr. (618)
 2002 — Angus W. Mercer (728) 2002 — Charles E. Shope (446)
 2002 — Fred L. Sherrill Jr. (709)
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- 2002 — Thomas O. Eller (283) 2002 — Luther D. Starling Jr. (98)
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- 2001 — T. Bruce Boyette (712), *Chairman*
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2000 — Edwin L. Becton (704) 2000 — Thomas E. McGee Jr. (741)
2001 — Robin S. McCombs (657) 2001 — Dewey R. Preslar Jr. (576)
2001 — Charles H. White (167) 2001 — James G. Moore (708)
2002 — Richard G. Moore, PGM (544) 2002 — Michael G. Whitfield (496)
2002 — Jimmie B. Hicks Jr. (3) 2002 — Robert C. Kraus (145)

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Charles V. Rouse Jr. (40)	Albert R. Allen (259)
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2002 — Daniel P. Weatherington (712), *Chairman*

2000 — A. EdLawing (217)

2000 — Bruce I. Howell (740)

2000 — J. Richard Holshouser (363)

2001 — M. Gene Lewellyn (129)

2001 — Kenneth E. Lewis (751)

2001 — Dalton W. Mayo (98)

2002 — David E. Webb (724)

2002 — Michael A. Brooks (711)

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2000 — Charles R. Thomas (369), *Chairman*

2001 — John M. Burchfield (663)

(2002) — Paul L. Whitfield (728)

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Douglas S. Moore (244)

Harold K. Roberts Jr. (576)

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District Deputy Grand Master	District	District Deputy Grand Lecturer
W. Frank Wood (314)	1	Joseph L. Robertson Jr. (75)
Stephen B. Hoggard (39)	2	Hallet S. Davis (59)
Mark A. Harris (328)	3	Hylar W. Cox (328)
Harrison W. Phelps (59)	4	Johnny Marvin Smith (509)
Randy G. Fussell (708)	5	Charles M. Smithwick (243)
Robert E. Powers (359)	6	Joseph W. Buck (479)
Clayton E. Burch (568)	7	William L. Dill (3)
William B. Ball (405)	8	Lee K. Allen (688)
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Ralph V. Shipton (1)	10	Robert J. Snipes Jr. (1)
Harry A. Fields (705)	11	James P. Wooten (132)
Genes L. Norris (658)	12	Larry D. Houston (658)
Neill C. Smith (646)	13	Terry T. Miller (207)
Samuel T. Smith (417)	14	Carl. T. Horne (474)
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Byran K. Lassiter (418)	19	Rufus A. Matthews (418)
Wilbur A. Garner (2)	20	Earnest E. Odom (519)
Dwight W. Pearce (630)	21	Charlie T. Keeton Jr. (229)
Don B. King (413)	22	Jack L. Walters (735)
William A. Adams (609)	23	Stewart W. Pittman (740)
W. Douglas Gamber (745)	24	Norman W. Karr (701)
Richard M. Ripley (500)	25	Donald S. Alderman (735)
Charles W. Early (198)	26	Harold A. King (584)
Thomas R. Jackson Jr. (257)	27	Bobby F. Wellons (617)
Jesse C. Moore (147)	28	Hubert H. Warren Jr. (147)
E. Faison Williams (679)	29	Floyd L. Trimmer (8)
William P. Horne Jr. (532)	30	Dabney S. Craddock Jr. (532)
Walter H. McMillan (172)	31	David M. Bailey (172)
Samuel D. Vaughan Jr. (750)	32	David B. Roberts (158)
Donald R. Long (113)	33	Bobby G. Hancock (158)
Charles E. Clemmons (721)	34	Dorsey T. Wiggins (492)
Bennet B. Nooe (136)	35	Charles H. Marlowe Jr. (136)
Allen D. Spain (552)	36	Carl R. Hall (76)
Jerold L. Grazier (128)	37	Arnold C. Russell (699)
Barry M. Dick (703)	38	James L. Wentz (348)
James E. Reddish (578)	39	Charles M. Griffin (244)
George M. Smith (261)	40	Boyd N. McGee (739)
Michael R. Davis (693)	41	Ted L. Conder (742)
Robert K. Braswell (737)	42	Larry E. Sizemore (759)
Hoyle K. Wise Jr. (720)	43	Billy Ray Raymer (720)
Dewey R. Preslar Jr. (576)	44	Robin S. McCombs (657)
Ray Anderson (674)	45	Roy C. West (696)
James F. Fulton (167)	46	Stewart C. Hodges (669)
Raymond A. Parker II (454)	47	Richard V. Lawson (616)
Robert S. Martin (134)	48	James Y. Smith (265)
J. Richard Holshouser (363)	49	Thomas L. Hartman (594)
Robert H. Efrid (45)	50	Colonel D. Blackburn (483)

Ernest N. Sloan Jr. (571)	51	Keith B. Rash (299)	
S. Pressly Boyd Jr. (27)	52	Henry G. Grant (690)	
Jacob R. Abernathy Jr. (606)	53	Charles W. Whitson (709)	
James C. Abernathy (627)	54	Charles K. Grissom Jr. (590)	
Victor A. Willis (704)	55	Billy J. Wiggins (704)	
Charles G. Davidson (202)	56	Joe D. Peeler Jr. (486)	
Wayne D. Walker (262)	57	John T. Parlier (262)	
David D. Greene (554)	58	Vincent P. Bonamino (357)	
J. Hal Davis (91)	59	Danny F. Wells (535)	
Claude F. Laughter (387)	60	Michael C. Meadows (491)	
John M. Burchfield (663)	61	Clay E. Sorrells (446)	
James F. Parker (170)	62	Howard W. Nelson (717)	
John R. Terrell (453)	63	Stanley G. Henson (472)	
John O. Newman Jr. (358)	64	Norman D. Stephens (459)	
Robert F. Wolfersteig (301)	65	Michael L. Morgan (301)	

First Day Morning Session

The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina was called to order in its 212th Annual Communication in Oasis Shrine Center, Charlotte, North Carolina on Friday, April 9, 1999 at 10:00 A.M. by S. Pressly Boyd Jr., DDGM Fifty-second Masonic District.

Presentation of Colors

The Tun Tavern Camp Heroes of '76 from Camp Lejeune Chapter 329, National Sojourners, Jacksonville presented the colors.

The district deputy grand masters, the district deputy grand lecturers, distinguished guests, the past grand masters, and the Grand Lodge officers, under the escort of the grand marshal, were received and conducted to their stations and places. There being a constitutional number of lodges represented, Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory opened the Grand Lodge in ample form.

Recognition of DDGMs and DDGLs

Grand Marshal Charles A. Lewis introduced the district deputy grand masters and the district deputy grand lecturers of North Carolina as a body. The Grand Master welcomed them and they were accorded private grand honors.

District Deputy Grand Masters Present

1	Leroy W. Powers	463
4	Harrison W. Phelps	59
8	W. Lyle Lewis	688
9	Howard Kahn	680
10	Edward A. Gaskins Jr.	319
11	Harry A. Fields	705
13	Neill C. Smith	646
15	Thomas W. Tew	379
16	Albert E. Stroud	634
17	Claude M. Faulkner	712
19	Johnny Reynolds	524
22	Don B. King	413
24	W. Douglas Gamber	745
25	Richard M. Ripley	500
26	Charles W. Early	198
27	Thomas R. Jackson Jr.	257
28	Jesse C. Moore	147
30	William P. Horne Jr.	532
31	Walter H. McMillan	172
32	Samuel D. Vaughan Jr.	750
34	Charles E. Clemmons	721
36	James S. Porter	746
37	Jerold L. Grazier	128
38	Barry M. Dick	703
40	George M. Smith	261
41	Michael R. Davis	693
42	Robert K. Braswell	737
43	Daniel S. Hartis	695
45	Ray Anderson	674
46	James F. Fulton	167
47	Johnny R. Poplin Jr.	390
50	Robert H. Efird	45
52	Simmons P. Boyd Jr.	27

53	Jacob R. Abernathy Jr.	606
55	William H. Keenum	668
56	Charles G. Davidson	202
57	Wayne D. Walker	262
60	Claude F. Laughter	387
61	John M. Burchfield	663
63	John R. Terrell	453
64	John O. Newman Jr.	358
65	Robert F. Wolfersteig	301

District Deputy Grand Lecturers Present

2	Hallet S. Davis	59
4	Harry J. Stokes	104
6	Joseph W. Buck	479
7	William L. Dill	3
9	Michael F. Powell	83
11	James P. Wooten	132
13	Terry T. Miller	207
14	John R. Franklin	667
15	Edward E. Wells	98
23	William A. Adams	609
25	Stewart W. Pittman	740
28	Hubert H. Warren Jr.	147
29	Phillip H. Edney	731
30	David E. Guy	305
33	Bobby G. Hancock	158
34	Dorsey T. Wiggins	492
36	Carl Ray Hall	76
38	Donnie R. Bostick	437
40	Boyd N. McGee	739
41	Ted L. Conder	742
42	Larry E. Sizemore	759
43	Billy R. Raymer	720
50	C. Dwight Blackburn	483
51	Keith B. Rash	299
52	Henry G. Grant	690
53	Charles W. Whitson	709
54	Charles K. Grissom Jr.	590
56	Bobby D. Willis	388
57	John T. Parlier	262
58	Vincent P. Bonaminio	357
62	Howard W. Nelson	717
63	Stanley G. Henson	472
65	Michael Morgan	301

Recognition of Distinguished Guests

The following distinguished guests were introduced by the grand marshal, welcomed by the grand master and accorded private grand honors:

South Carolina: Grand Master D. Samuel Tennyson

Delaware: Senior Grand Warden Wayne D. Mower

District of Columbia: Senior Grand Deacon Jules S. Tepper

Florida: Grand Master Jacque A. Couture

West Virginia: Grand Master Seba T. Anderson

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association:

Board of Directors member Frank R. Dunaway Jr.

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite:

Deputy of the Supreme Council, Southern Jurisdiction, USA,
William B. Brunk

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters in NC:

Grand Master Joseph J. Vale

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of NC:

Grand Commander David G. Cronk

Grand Secretary-Recorder Robert A. Schafer

Shrine:

Potentate of Oasis Center Doyle C. Simmons

Potentate of Sudan Center J. Eley Newsome

Recorder of Oasis Center W. Calvin Gaddy

Recorder of Sudan Center Benjamin F. Smith Jr.

Recorder of Amran Center W. G. Arnold

Recognition of Past Grand Masters

The following past grand masters of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina were introduced by the grand marshal, welcomed by the grand master, and accorded private grand honors:

Sam A. Hennis Jr.	1965
Robert N. Bass Jr.	1968
S. Frank Noble Jr.	1975
Leslie H. Garner	1976
A. C. Honeycutt	1982
Cecil J. Liverman	1983
Norburn C. Hyatt	1985
Walter F. McCall	1986
L. R. Thomas Jr.	1988
Bunn T. Phillips Jr.	1990
Ray Norris	1992
Richard G. Moore	1993
William B. Brunk	1994
Clifton W. Everett Jr.	1995
William H. Simpson	1996
Gerry T. Smith	1997

Grand Lodge Officers Present

Thomas W. Gregory	Grand Master
Charles M. Ingram	Deputy Grand Master
Charles E. Cathey	Senior Grand Warden
William L. Mills III	Junior Grand Warden
Clifton W. Everett Jr.	Grand Treasurer
T. Walton Clapp III	Grand Secretary
William G. Mathis	Senior Grand Deacon
Jerry R. Tillett	Junior Grand Deacon
Charles A. Lewis Jr.	Grand Marshal
Leonard Y. Safrit Jr.	Grand Steward
Graham W. Pervier	Grand Steward
William P. Keller	Grand Tyler
David Cash	Grand Chaplain
Danial M. Hogue Jr.	Grand Lecturer
William H. Simpson	Grand Orator
Ronnie Stewart	Judge Advocate

Members of Board of General Purposes Present

Thomas W. Gregory (27) Grand Master

Charles M. Ingram (13) Deputy Grand Master

Charles E. Cathey (472) Senior Grand Warden
 William L. Mills III (32) Junior Grand Warden
 Clifton W. Everett Jr., PGM (708) Grand Treasurer
 T. Walton Clapp III (237) Grand Secretary, Secretary
 1999-William B. Brunk (40)
 1999-Lee G. Rumley (694)
 2000-Donald E. Floyd (1)
 2000-Larry P. Pittman (741)

Members of Board of Custodians Present

Thomas W. Gregory (27) Grand Master, Ex Officio Member
 Danial M. Hogue Jr. (675) Grand Lecturer
 1999-J. Luigi Ammons (97) Secretary
 1999-Hubert V. Massengill (719)
 2000-Theodore Campbell Jr. (741)
 2000-Ottis R. Jefferson (109)

Representatives of Lodges Present

† denotes proxy

1 St. John's

M Charlie Olin Smith Jr.
 SW Kenneth West
 JW Adrian M. O. Hansing

2 Royal White Hart

M Arnold Gene Cobb
 SW Arnold Gene Cobb†
 JW Arnold Gene Cobb†

3 St. John's

M Brian Keith Saunders
 SW George D. Soltow†
 JW Thomas Franklin Janysek

4 St. John's

M Mark Floyd Gray
 SW Thomas Christopher Humphrey
 JW Robert William Knotts

5 Charity

M James Wallace Perry
 SW Larry Wayne Williams
 JW Milton Gray Evans

7 Unanimity

M Charles Fredrick Kirkland
 SW Bryan Perry Bass
 JW Bud Alden Sowers

8 Phoenix

M Gregory Bruce Scott
 SW Floyd Leroy Trimmer
 JW George Melvin Thompson

10 Johnston-Caswell

M Horace Smith Shearin
 SW George A. Fleming†
 JW Eddie Q. Clayton†

11 Caswell Brotherhood

M Danny Lee Crumpton
 SW William Scott Yarbrough
 JW Michael Keith Cobb

13 St. John's

M Bobby G. Howard
 SW Snodie B. Wilson†
 JW Patrick Bell

17 American George

M Randolph W. Whitley†
 SW Randolph W. Whitley
 JW Randolph W. Whitley†

19 Eagle

M Ray Dexter Hardee
 SW Jake Jacobs†
 JW Alfred Richard Serff

27 Statesville

M Charles Terreny Childress
 SW Joseph P. Link
 JW Eric Purvis

31 Phalanx

M Charles Clifton Andrews Jr.
 SW Warren Mike Miller
 JW John Herbert Caudle

32 Stokes

M Roger Allen Smith
 SW Timothy Eric Smith
 JW Richard Marshall Talbert

39 Davie

M Orrin Chester Harrell
 SW Clemon Windfield Bridgers Jr.
 JW Anthony Roger Bracy

40 Hiram

M John Steven Mahoney†
 SW Charles Vernon Rouse
 JW Charles Vernon Rouse†

45 Liberty

M Calvin C. Anderson†
 SW John David Slate
 JW Steven Todd Brown

53 Hall

M Brian Douglas Perry
 SW Kenneth Lee Coe
 JW Wayne Roger Lambertson

58 Concord

M Joseph Dalton Phelps
 SW Randy Bruce Pollard
 JW Carl Wayne Jewett

59 Perseverance

M Samuel Emmons Phelps Jr.
 SW Luther Clyde Jett Jr.
 JW Luther Clyde Jett Jr.†

64 Kilwinning

M Christopher Marion Sanford
 SW Christopher Marion Sanford†
 JW Robert Wilson Lee

75 Widow's Son

M Jerry Whaley Watkins
 SW Jerry Whaley Watkins†
 JW Jerry Whaley Watkins†

76 Greensboro

M Lewis Ralph Clark
 SW Curtis Sebern Sellers
 W Coy Harlin Bolen

81 Zion

M Steven R. Burgess†
 SW Roy F. Collins†
 JW Steven Russell Burgess

83 LaFayette

M Ricky E. Jackson
 SW George H. Dodds Jr.
 JW William J. Bredigkeit

84 Fellowship

M Harvey Speight Evans
 SW Matthew Lawrence Casey
 JW James Ernest Thornton

85 Morning Star

M C. D. Jones†
 SW C. D. Jones†
 JW C. D. Jones†

90 Skewarkee

M William Frederick Griffin
 SW Edward Earl Mobley
 JW Willard Gerald Wilson†

91 Western Star

M Paul Howard Lane†
 SW William Lewis Hamrick
 JW Paul Howard Lane

92 Joseph Warren

M Tommy Dawson Jr.
 SW Kris Radford
 JW Brad Alabaster

95 Jerusalem

M John I. Whitfield†
 SW John I. Whitfield†
 JW John I. Whitfield†

97 Millbrook

M Patrick A. Gordon
 SW Brian Demott†
 JW Eric Gordon†

98 Hiram

M Edward Earl Wells
 SW Ollen Edward Warren†
 JW Jeffrey Allen Shipp†

99 Fulton

M Victor T. Poplin
 SW Richard W. Arey Jr.
 JW L. C. Shoaff†

102 Columbus

M Mitchell Eugene Mann
 SW James Norwood†
 JW Donald Larry Jordan

104 Orr

M Roy Lavern Mayo
 SW James Gordon Shiver
 JW George Arthur Sullivan

106 Perquimans

M Paul Etheredge Chappell
 SW Redmond R. Perry Jr.†
 JW Walker Howell Rayburn Jr.

109 Franklin

M Albert Anthony Pokrzywa Jr.
 SW Orville Lee Jones
 JW Asa Bryant Buck III

112 Wayne

M Alan Ray Brantham
 SW Clarence Jackson Elrod
 JW Larry Ray Edmundson†

113 Person

M Victor L. Williford
 SW Wallace R. Bradsher Jr.
 JW Lamar B. Winstead

114 St. Alban's

M Jon Henry Soderena
 SW James Thomas Paul
 JW Jon Henry Soderena†

115 Holly Springs

M Christian Lee Cypher Jr.
 SW absent
 JW David Tollefson†

117 Mount Lebanon

M Joseph Hunter Parks
 SW Ralph Alcoe Ellis
 JW Danny Andrew Jordan

118 Mount Hermon

M John Calvin Hyatt
SW Jack L. Land†
JW James Phillip Henderson

122 Oxford

M George Edwin Summers III
SW Allen McDonald Carraway
JW Wayne Douglas Roberson

123 Franklinton

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

125 Mill Creek

M Ralph N. Weaver
SW Henry Cook
JW Clay Joyner

126 Gatesville

M Gerald Henry MacDonald
SW Gerald Henry MacDonald†
JW Gerald Henry MacDonald†

127 Blackmer

M Robert Strider Jr.
SW William Bruton†
JW Jim Rodgers

128 Hanks

M David Keith Eddins
SW Phillip Edward Matthews
JW absent

129 Dan River

M W. M. Rhodes†
SW Robert S. Wyatt
JW Gene Lewellwyn†

132 Radiance

M Melvin Carlton Hill
SW James P. Wooten†
JW John Stevens Harris

134 Mocksville

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

136 Leaksville

M Howard Lee Smith III†
SW Howard Lee Smith III
JW Howard Lee Stultz II

137 Lincoln

M Allen James Tate
SW Eddie Michael Hovis
JW Allen James Tate†

138 King Solomon

M David Wilson Paul
SW James Warren Connor
JW Paul Leddell Casey

143 Mount Vernon

M Robert Anthony Smith†
SW Robert Anthony Smith
JW Robert Anthony Smith†

145 Junaluskee

M Donnie Wallace†
SW Michael Anthony Norris
JW James David Taylor

146 Cherokee

M Ned Glenn Golden
SW William Anthony Vespasian
JW Ned Glenn Golden†

147 Palmyra

M Mark Anthony Tart
SW Milton Burnard Byrd
JW Donald Alton Smith†

149 Adoniram

M Ben Jones Neale†
SW Charlie David Winston†
JW Ben Jones Neale†

150 Pee Dee

M Kirk Carden Sterling
SW David Wayne Pope
JW Robert R. Barringer†

151 Sanford

M John Walter Lester†
SW John Walter Lester
JW John Joseph Bradley

154 Scotch Ireland

M William E. Myers
SW Billy Ray McIntosh
JW Jeffery L. Stiller

155 White Stone

M William Jenkins Perry
SW Jerry Eason
JW Robert Earl Pearce

158 Knap of Reeds

M Martin Vern Terry
SW Robert Eugene Porter
JW Willard Clifton Flintom

162 Yadkin

M Charles Albert Lahr
SW Calvin Spencer Snow Jr.
JW William Ricky Oliver

165 Archer

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

167 Winston

M Lewis F. Peacock
SW Charlie G. Pritchard
JW Charles D. Sheets Jr.†

170 Blackmer

M Haskell Gehrig Garrison
 SW Richard Kimble Garrison
 JW Dorsey Lane Baker†

172 Buffalo

M William Courtney Gordon
 SW Aubrey Lee Felix Hall
 JW Ronald Wesley Perine

176 Williams

M Jake Witsell Williams
 SW Billy Lee Carter
 JW Thomas Ballard†

181 Carthage

M Burt Perham
 SW James R. Sullivan
 JW Craig Goodnight

187 Central Cross

M Wayne Douglas Lamm
 SW Jay Archie Stancil
 JW Wayne D. Lamm†

188 Balfour

M Phillip Edward Williamson
 SW Athel Cox†
 JW Roy L. Blake†

190 Fair Bluff

M Wilton Thigpen
 SW Lloyd Shepherd
 JW Gene Martin

191 Granite

M absent
 SW absent
 JW absent

198 Cary

M Walter Ray Highsmith Jr.
 SW Kevin C. Hall†
 JW Forrest Ray Cannady

202 Cleveland

M Evans Eugene Rippy Jr.
 SW Donald Earl Conn
 JW Donald Edward Barkley

203 Roanoke

M absent
 SW absent
 JW absent

205 Long Creek

M Bernard R. Ellinghaus
 SW Charles Gordon Burgess
 JW Curtis C. Buchanan

206 Mingo

M Steve Bible Jackson
 SW James Bradford Hardison
 JW James Roland Ennis†

207 Lebanon

M Michael Joseph Hyatt
 SW James Howard Hinson
 JW absent

208 Mount Olive

M Rodney Benton Wiggins
 SW Tony Lee Winstead
 JW Robert James Tooley Jr.

210 Eno

M Eugene Hugh Pope
 SW Ronald Mattox Johnson
 JW David Hugh Minshall

214 Thomasville

M Mark A. Hedrick
 SW Timothy H. Hedrick
 JW Douglas Lee O'Kelley†

217 Catawba Valley

M Thomas Andrew Brandon
 SW Richard Allen Yancey
 JW Billy Dean Poteat

218 William G. Hill

M Don R. Bissette†
 SW Don R. Bissette†
 JW Don R. Bissette†

226 Olin

M Van Douglas Galliher
 SW Van Douglas Galliher†
 JW Van Douglas Galliher†

229 Henderson

M Daniel Singleton Stanley
 SW Daniel Singleton Stanley†
 JW Daniel Singleton Stanley†

230 Corinthian

M James H. Lancaster†
 SW James H. Lancaster†
 JW James H. Lancaster†

231 William T. Bain

M James Ward Marcom
 SW William Curtis Hare
 JW Charles B. King

233 Lenoir

M Tony Sylvan Hardy†
 SW Tony Sylvan Hardy
 JW Tony Sylvan Hardy†

237 Mystic Tie

M Michael Andrew Thompson
 SW J. Ramsay Grant†
 JW Michael Thompson†

240 Wiccacon

M Thomas Graham Pearce
 SW William Bazemore†
 JW Thomas Graham Pearce†

243 Grifton

M E. F. Albritton†
SW E. F. Albritton†
JW Clifton Hales†

244 Monroe

M Michael Moore Sandy
SW Michael Rondell Medlin
JW Douglas S. Moore†

248 Catawba

M absent
SW Curtis Randolph Sharpe Jr.
JW absent

249 Pythagoras

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

253 Lee

M Alex Jeffery Oliver
SW John Cecil Smith
JW Charlie Dale Killian

257 Kenly

M Jon Chippin Boykin
SW Jon Chippin Boykin†
JW Jon Chippin Boykin†

258 Fuquay

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

259 Waynesville

M Hugh J. Massie
SW Bobby Gene Allen
JW William Mark McClure

261 Excelsior

M Charles Edward Jordan
SW James Arnold Ploger
JW Ronald Stephen Walker

262 Hibriten

M Jeffrey Lee Bumgarner
SW Todd Edward Bumgarner
JW Richard Eldon Cline

263 Gaston

M Ronald McPhail Millar
SW Jeffrey McCray Falls
JW James Robert Jones

265 Farmington

M Jimmy L. Myers
SW F. Eugene Hunter
JW Dwight H. Cleary

267 Dunn's Rock

M Joseph H. Burkell
SW Timothy C. Waldrop
JW Gregory Hatten†

271 Tabasco

M Jesse Earl Warrick Jr.†
SW Alton Leon Baker
JW Jesse Earl Warrick Jr.

272 Bingham

M Thomas Lee Williams†
SW Sidney Lester Flake Jr.
JW Buck Oakley†

276 Beaver Dam

M Stancil Raye
SW Douglas High Jr.
JW Gary Hall

277 Green Level

M Stanford Houston Morris
SW George Samuel Bickel
JW Todd Cameron Hux

279 Rehoboth

M Isaac Thomas Perkins
SW Isaac Thomas Perkins
JW Corbett Lattimer

282 Wake Forest

M Jerry L. Harris
SW Louis F. McAlister
JW Dewarner E. Duke†

283 Eureka

M Michael Wayne Overcash
SW William Lee Comer
JW Marvin White Safrit

284 Greenville

M Robert Lewis Bitner
SW Herbert Walton Wheless
JW Norman Charles Brooks

289 Salem

M Raymond Wilburn Gaddis III
SW David Carroll Simmons
JW John Andrew Hulla Jr.

292 French Broad

M Jeter Cantrell†
SW Lee Wallint†
JW Gregg Stephens†

293 Vance

M Donald Locke Whitt
SW Don Roberts†
JW Forrest Ball†

294 Atlantic

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

296 Stonewall

M James Russell Carson Jr.
SW Eugene Benjamin Roberson Jr.
JW George Fredrick Matthews

299 Harmony

M John Henry Reeves†
 SW David Bryan Cope
 JW John Walter Dobson

300 Aurora

M Harry Norton Douglas
 SW Charles Linwood Smith
 JW Ellis Elwood Ireland

301 Clay

M William Clifford Anderson
 SW Noel Clay Galloway
 JW Michael Morgant†

302 Lillington

M Timothy Byrd Brown
 SW Terry Esmond Byrd
 JW Paul Edward Griffin

304 Pleasant Hill

M Gregory Marvin Smith
 SW Richard Corbit Stroud Jr.
 JW Johnnie Philip Harper

305 Laurinburg

M David Hubert Troxell
 SW Kelvin Brian Howell
 JW Joffrey Winslow Smith

306 Raeford

M Randall Scott Howell
 SW Larry Stark†
 JW James Linus Bradley

314 New Lebanon

M Thomas Everett Brickhouse Jr.
 SW Robert Lawrence Bass Jr.
 JW Michael Eugene Becker

317 Eureka

M William Thomas Felton
 SW Donald Ray Balance
 JW Charles Michael Bright

319 Wilmington

M G. Anderson Greene
 SW Hovie W. Pope Jr.
 JW Steven C. Morton

320 Selma

M Newton Saunders Barham
 SW Harry Eugene Greenet†
 JW James Frederick Gray

322 Granite

M Guy Randall Watson
 SW Barry William Boyles
 JW William Michael Payne

328 Mattamuskeet

M H. Wayne Cox†
 SW H. Wayne Cox†
 JW H. Wayne Cox

331 Bayboro

M Randy Lee Miller
 SW Miles H. Purser
 JW Johnny W. Rice†

339 Fairview

M Craig Lee Beam
 SW Edward Yarbrow
 JW Christopher Powell

340 Harmony

M John Cagle Holland
 SW Randy Lynn Murphy
 JW David Cooper Gardner

343 Hickory

M Danny Joe Wallace
 SW Howard Wilson Walker
 JW Johnny Windfield Davidson Jr.

344 Numa F. Reid

M absent
 SW absent
 JW absent

348 Stanly

M Billy Allen Faulkner
 SW Douglas Brian Archer
 JW Jeffery Alan Chance

352 Durham

M Jerry A. Lassiter
 SW Timothy Mark Williams
 JW Joseph McDonald Wilson Jr.

356 Fallston

M Cutler Scott Dillon†
 SW Cutler Scott Dillon†
 JW Cutler Scott Dillon

357 Bakersville

M Roger Hoilman
 SW Chris Campbell
 JW J. Paul Bennett†

358 East LaPorte

M absent
 SW absent
 JW absent

359 Mount Vernon

M David Roy Stewart
 SW Jay Addison Collins
 JW Elton Roberts†

363 Snow

M Tommie Alan Boone
 SW Richard Lee Elmore
 JW Ned Dolphus Lyons

369 Gastonia

M Todd Garth Melton
 SW James Garland Brown
 JW Luther Jerry Ballard

373 Ashler

M Gene Edward Phillips
SW absent
JW Alvin Dale Trivette

374 Campbell

M Samuel Allen Brown Jr.
SW Eugene Taylor Honeycutt
JW Jack Byers†

375 State Line

M J. T. Thrift
SW Eugene Andrew Mayhew†
JW Thomas Gray Barnes†

377 Youngsville

M William Steven Tuckert†
SW Robert John Rush Jr.
JW Richard Eugene Poole Jr.

378 Seaboard

M Magnus Thomas Flythe Jr.
SW Paul Milton Flythe
JW James Futrelle Flythe†

379 Coharie

M Robert Gerald Strickland
SW Tommy Worth Tew†
JW Victor Ray Tew†

380 Granville

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

381 Forest City

M John Phillip Hamrick†
SW absent
JW Miles Franklin Gunnin

384 Jefferson Penn

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

386 Pigeon River

M Kenneth H. Pressley†
SW Richard John Gould
JW Charles C. Karriker†

387 Kedron

M William Lee King
SW Raymond Theodore Lafaso†
JW Gregory Scott Trivette

388 Mooresboro

M Jimmy Allen Bridges
SW Joseph Dwight Brooks
JW James Durham Ledbetter Jr.

390 Copeland

M James Oliver Hudson†
SW Jackson S. McCormick
JW H. C. Moody†

391 Lebanon

M Huckaba W. Barnes
SW William Michael Fulk
JW Charles Lynn Goff

395 Orient

M James Aquil Thompson
SW Richard J. Bryant II†
JW Norwood P. Davis†

397 Bald Creek

M Earl Joe Roberts
SW Clayborn Henry Carroll
JW James L. Matthews†

401 Joppa

M Donald Edward Jackson
SW Clifford M. Boone
JW Billy Lee Thomas

403 Siler City

M James Dennis Brooks
SW George Henry Allred†
JW George Henry Allred†

404 Denton

M Walter Lynn Moore
SW Eddie Norman Morrow
JW Jack Junior Hulin

405 Ocean

M Nelson Bryan Gillikin II
SW Donald Ray Mansfield Jr.†
JW William B. Ball†

407 North Wilkesboro

M Harvey A. Baity
SW Harvey A. Baity†
JW Ralph A. Gambill

408 University

M William Stephen Aldridge†
SW William Stephen Aldridge†
JW William Stephen Aldridge

409 Bula

M Julius Mack Hester
SW Franklin Stone†
JW Dan Charles Rice

411 Bailey

M Horace M. Meacomes†
SW Horace M. Meacomes†
JW Horace M. Meacomes†

412 Henry F. Grainger

M Robert Lee May
SW Walter Troy Preddy
JW James Edward Robertson

413 James A. Johnson

M Edgerton Lynn Watson Jr.
SW Edgerton Lynn Watson Jr.†
JW James Harris Wheless

417 Maxton

M William Archie McRae II
 SW James McRae Jones
 JW Gary Alton Blue

418 Potecasi

M Marshall E. Lassiter
 SW Marshall E. Lassiter†
 JW Marshall E. Lassiter†

420 Harmon

M James Ben Rutledge
 SW Lawrence Wesley Getgen
 JW Clyde Murray†

423 Sparta

M Arnold C. J. Wagoner
 SW Arnold C. J. Wagoner†
 JW Andy Mack Royall Jr.

426 Montgomery

M Robert Walding Whitley
 SW Raymond Hamby†
 JW Clarence Luther Little

427 Oconee

M Carroll Dee Sutton
 SW Carroll Dee Sutton†
 JW Carroll Dee Sutton†

428 Stokesdale

M William H. Simpson†
 SW Archie L. McGee
 JW Archie L. McGee†

429 Seaside

M Edward Junior Everhart
 SW Stephen Harrell Smith
 JW Edward Russell Provost Jr.

431 Relief

M Marvin Jethro Parker
 SW Johnny M. Toole†
 JW Fred T. Raynor†

432 Piney Creek

M Kenneth Wayne Billings
 SW Kenneth Wayne Billings†
 JW Kenneth Ray Osborne

433 Vanceboro

M Michael Anthony Harper
 SW John Harvey Lilly
 JW James Lamar Downs

434 West Bend

M Jerry Roger Farmer
 SW Robah Leonard Snyder III
 JW Roger Bernard Gough

435 Blue Ridge

M Larry Stephen Foster
 SW Clem L. Henry†
 JW Harold Neville Neely

437 Biscoe

M Anthony Wayne Collins
 SW Anthony Wayne Collins†
 JW Anthony Wayne Collins†

439 Marble Springs

M absent
 SW absent
 JW absent

444 Marietta

M Floyd U. Williamson
 SW Ronald W. Kidd
 JW Michael R. Cox

446 Biltmore

M William Alexander Greene
 SW Larry Lamar Bishop
 JW Marshall Jerry Vehaun

447 Enfield

M absent
 SW absent
 JW absent

453 Clyde

M James A. Carlos†
 SW James A. Carlos†
 JW James A. Carlos†

454 Elkin

M Daniel Norman Kiger
 SW Kevin Key Carter
 JW Raymond A. Parker†

459 Dillsboro

M Dennis Edwin Wilkey
 SW absent
 JW Carroll Walton Martin

460 Cliffsides

M Gerald Lee Short
 SW Jack Holt Huskey
 JW James Gary Horn

461 Matthews

M Gary Paul Smith Jr.
 SW Edward M. Noles†
 JW William Sidney Riddick Jr.

462 South Fork

M Christopher Brian Lowrance
 SW Luther Lorange†
 JW Carl E. Holt†

463 Currituck

M Gary Win Brown
 SW Gary Win Brown†
 JW Billy Wheatie Willist†

471 Grassy Knob

M Thomas William Sloan
 SW John Neal Cranford Jr.†
 JW Gene Mitchell Mahaffey

472 Sonoma

M Carroll Wayne Stockton
SW Stanley Grover Henson
JW W. Berry Rigdon†

473 Lexington

M James Carlton Orrell
SW Ervin Walter Allen
JW Gary W. Bennett†

474 St. Pauls

M Charles Durham Hall
SW A. H. Jackson†
JW Carl T. Horne

475 Grimesland

M Randall Spain
SW Paul DeWayne Banta
JW William Kelly Wall

479 Rainbow

M Glenwood T. Tyndall Jr.
SW Glenwood T. Tyndall Jr.†
JW John A. Buck III

482 Saluda

M Terry Hoots†
SW Jamie Thompson†
JW Oscar Harbin†

483 Traphill

M Morgan Lester Bowers
SW Phillip Rhea Church
JW Jeffery Shumate†

484 Southern Pines

M George W. Lamb†
SW Roy Monroe Wallace
JW Mark Stanley Miller

486 Lawndale

M Joe Donald Peeler†
SW Joe Donald Peeler†
JW Joe Donald Peeler

488 Rich Square

M Richard Thomas Spradlin Jr.
SW Richard Thomas Spradlin Jr.†
JW Arthur L. Horton†

489 Linville

M Thomas Charles Clark
SW Tommy Singleton†
JW Charles Benjamin Buchanan

491 Hominy

M Thomas Willis Meadows Jr.
SW Terry Lee Gentry
JW Michael C. Meadows†

492 Thomas M. Holt

M Michael T. R. Benesch
SW Dorsey Thomas Wigginst†
JW Michael T. R. Benesch†

493 Pilot

M Roger Leon Kirkman
SW absent
JW Albert Frans Meijboom

495 Rockingham

M Woodrow Thomas Ingle
SW Lewis Cleveland Smith
JW Robert Decatur Street†

496 Mooresville

M Marima Charles Long
SW David William Smith
JW Timothy Zain Cook

497 Royal Hart

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

498 Ayden

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

499 Creedmoor

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

500 Raleigh

M Edward Earl Adams
SW Edward Earl Adams†
JW Hiram Casebolt†

501 Red Springs

M Robert Steven Hagen
SW Robert Steven Hagen†
JW John Thomas Seago

502 Cookville

M Foy R. Huss†
SW absent
JW Patrick Draughn†

505 Cherryville

M W. J. Smith†
SW Ken Smith†
JW Jerry Walker

509 Belhaven

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

515 Whetstone

M James Curtis Ramsey Jr.
SW Thomas Shilo Canipe
JW Eric Dixon†

517 Farmville

M William Jinnis Harris
SW John Michael Howell
JW William Jinnis Harris†

519 Widow's Son

M James Clifton Ogburn
SW Jerry Moseley†
JW Frederick Keith Banty

520 Fairfield

M Vincent Blair Berry
SW Vincent Blair Berry†
JW Vincent Blair Berry†

521 Manteo

M Michael Dennis Schillings
SW Michael Dennis Schillings†
JW Jerry O'Neal Combs

525 Rodgers

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

527 Lucama

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

528 Fairmont

M Robert Lindsey Capps
SW James Franklin Wilkerson
JW Erich Hackney†

529 Andrews

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

530 Joppa

M Philip W. Williams
SW John P. Kieronski
JW Neil F. Crossley

532 Hamlet

M Toy Lee Jones
SW John Sherrill Boggan
JW Wilson Amos Ramsey

534 Camp Call

M Larry Hyder Morrison
SW James Douglas Glover
JW Benjamin Franklin Curtis

535 Hollis

M Morris Lee Queen
SW Marvin Columbus Melton
JW Jasper Luther Yelton

542 Corinthian

M Hugh L. McLaurin
SW Benjamin Vance Sauls
JW Hugh L. McLaurin†

543 Spencer

M Tad M. Earnhardt
SW Tad M. Earnhardt†
JW James Earnhardt

544 Mount Holly

M Robert Lee Cauthen
SW Phillip Daniel Sparrow
JW Timothy Scott Cauthen

550 Roman Eagle

M Todd Engle Steingrabber
SW Luther Jackson Camp
JW Jerry Rupert Wilson

551 Glenville

M Broward Paul Davis†
SW Broward Paul Davis
JW Robert Dixon Connelly

552 Revolution

M Robert W. Warren
SW Howell G. Wagner
JW William D. Maness†

554 Vesper

M Randy Ramsey†
SW Jonathan Mark Silver
JW Jonathan Mark Silver†

555 Elise

M Glen D. Brewer
SW R. L. Boone†
JW Wilton E. Morgan

556 Neill S. Stewart

M Charles Ray Edwards
SW William Donald Williams
JW Robert Wilson†

558 Ararat

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

561 Swannanoa

M Craig Denver Beasley
SW Craig Denver Beasley†
JW Carl J. Hoguet†

562 Waxhaw

M Brian Mayes Keith
SW Brian Mayes Keith†
JW Brian Mayes Keith†

563 Tabor

M Mitchell D. Cartrette
SW Charles Dwight Bullock
JW Charles Dwight Bullock†

564 Richlands

M Richard Lynn Sanders
SW James Roebuck Beddard
JW Richard Lynn Sanders†

565 Wendell

M David Franklin Ringley
SW James Howard Baker Jr.
JW Rodney G. Brown†

568 Doric

M Leonard Owen Gatlin
SW Mark James Dunham
JW Alan Howard Ritter

571 Snow Creek

M John Carroll McNeely
SW Alfred William Johnson
JW Charles Stephen Gatton

573 Mount Pleasant

M Aaron Caudill
SW James Richardson†
JW Roy Lawrence Phillips

576 Andrew Jackson

M Jeffrey Dwight Shuping
SW John William Jones
JW John Ellis Wagoner

578 Meadow Branch

M Jeffrey Michael Outen
SW Joseph Calvin Moore
JW Michael Derry Simpson

579 Casar

M William Todd Norville
SW Paul Gilbert Faini
JW William Todd Norville†

583 Ionic

M Thomas Bright Daughety
SW Joseph Francis Crawford
JW James Anthony Zirnheld

584 Apex

M John Hoyt McLaughlin II†
SW John Hoyt McLaughlin II
JW Joseph Beauregard Hartley Jr.

585 Roseboro

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

589 Bethel

M James Wilbert Futrell†
SW James Wilbert Futrell†
JW James Wilbert Futrell†

590 Lowell

M John Earl Wilson
SW Bradley Richard Rankin
JW David Gerald Sloop

592 Maiden

M Jack C. Lutz†
SW Danny Lee Kiser
JW Bobby E. Sherrill†

593 Stony Point

M Wilson Godfrey†
SW David Allen†
JW Michael Neil Starnes

594 Ashe

M James Lee Beckworth
SW James Lee Beckworth†
JW absent

595 Wallace

M Gregory Wayne Salmon
SW Gregory Wayne Salmon†
JW Gregory Wayne Salmon†

596 Waccamaw

M Hugh Craig Gore
SW Gary Michael Merrill
JW Alan Gene Barber

598 Cranberry

M Michael Wayne Davis
SW Steve Walter Gouge
JW absent

602 Queen City

M Robert Sidney Flowers
SW absent
JW absent

605 Jeff L. Nelson

M Glenn Othar Thompson
SW Austin Bradley†
JW Glenn Othar Thompson†

606 Riverside

M Glenn Alvin Yates
SW Cecil Herbert Cook Jr.
JW Ricky Wilford Lee

607 Chadbourn

M George Wesley Baysden
SW David R. Godwin†
JW David R. Godwin†

609 Zebulon

M Andy Adams†
SW Rodney L. Coberly
JW Charles McConnell

612 Atkinson

M Eugene Ross Floyd
SW Chris Lee Lewis
JW George Elton Lee

613 Home

M John Donald Edmundson
SW John Donald Edmundson†
JW John Donald Edmundson†

616 Round Peak

M Chadley Dwayne Hull
SW Ronnie Culbert Sprinkle
JW Howard Earl Young Jr.

617 St. Patrick's

M Bobby F. Wellons
SW Neil Epps
JW William David Rose

618 Union

M Kevin Greenet
 SW Stephen Allen White
 JW Eli Matheson†

624 John H. Mills

M absent
 SW absent
 JW absent

626 Cannon Memorial

M Rodney C. Huffman
 SW Grady Perry James
 JW William J. Bullock III†

627 Belmont

M John V. Austin
 SW Charles R. Silvers
 JW Harold Dean Horne

629 Walnut Cove

M Wayne P. Knopf
 SW Robert E. Brinkley Jr.
 JW Ralph M. Oakley†

630 Francis S. Packard

M absent
 SW absent
 JW absent

634 Goldsboro

M Sidney Carlton Scales
 SW Sidney Carlton Scales†
 JW Ken McArthur†

637 Yadkin Falls

M Rodney Eugene Page
 SW Paul Allen Thompson
 JW James Harold Holt

643 Proctorville

M Royce Arnold Britt
 SW Robert Allen Britt
 JW Jesse L. Harpert

646 Bladen

M Alton Bennett Marshburn Jr.
 SW Lonnie Harris
 JW Ray Fulgarot

650 John A. Nichols

M Shawn Eric Egelsky
 SW Tommy Hollifield†
 JW Michael Dee Nichols

654 Elberta

M Jim Atkins
 SW Charles Ray Hinson†
 JW Paul Hadley Davis Jr.†

656 Guilford

M Latmer Stanford Bailey
 SW Terry James Cox
 JW David Lowery Harrison

657 Keller Memorial

M Robert C. Peelert†
 SW Bradley Cleve Hardister
 JW Bradley Aaron Bost

658 Beulaville

M absent
 SW Clarence Gibson Thigpen Jr.
 JW Graham Barry Frazelle

663 Black Mountain

M Jeffrey Scott Moore
 SW Charles Dorsey Reese
 JW Stanley Arnold Reese

664 Garland

M John Vaiden Matthews Jr.
 SW John Vaiden Matthews Jr.†
 JW John Vaiden Matthews Jr.†

665 West Asheville

M Jack Rodger Barnett
 SW Edward Alfred Lemon
 JW Al Cowant†

667 Fort Bragg

M Charles Lewis Tennant
 SW William Frank Smith
 JW James B. Jackson†

668 Holland Memorial

M Jeffrey Kent Howe
 SW Gerald Mack Sosebee
 JW Ralph Mulkey†

669 Kernersville

M Michael Dean Queen
 SW Neal Walker Nelson
 JW William Dee Rowland

670 Lovelady

M Michael Todd Powell
 SW Wendell Morris Powell
 JW Dwayne Ted Parker

672 Robbinsville

M Bryan Gordon Farley
 SW Bryan Gordon Farley†
 JW Bryan Gordon Farley†

673 Spindale

M Alan A. Laughter
 SW Steve Connor
 JW Tom Lawrence†

674 Acacia

M Robert Edwin Williams
 SW Paul Nelson Robinette Jr.
 JW Wilbur Lee Groome

675 Washington

M Frederic M. Mallison Jr.
 SW Thurmon Mayo
 JW William A. Harper

676 Temple

M Bruce Hannon Suttle Jr.
SW David M. Hackney†
JW Donald Robert Cummings

677 Warsaw

M Charles E. Taylor†
SW Jeffrey Houston
JW Henry Gurley

678 Providence

M Jon Barnes
SW Willard M. White†
JW Victor S. Alexander

679 Creasy Proctor

M James H. Horne†
SW Rodger Allen Smitley
JW John Mason Hall

680 Semper Fidelis

M Richard Mark Robinson
SW Charles Treble
JW Tommy Collins

681 Piedmont

M Dewey Shelton†
SW David N. Hudspeth†
JW Ralph Odom†

683 Rolesville

M Milton Rountree†
SW Milton Rountree
JW John W. Blackwell

685 Pioneer

M Roger Louis Idol Jr.
SW Gilmer Ellis Collotte Jr.
JW Joel Alexander Black Jr.

686 Angier

M John Robert Ryals
SW John Robert Ryals†
JW John Robert Ryals†

687 Fellowship

M John Thomas Killough
SW Dalton Ray Blackman
JW Cecil Johnson Goodwin

688 Cherry Point

M William Thomas Rice
SW John Larry Everett
JW Larry Fredrick King†

689 Scotland Neck

M Gene Worth Todd†
SW Gene Worth Todd†
JW Gene Worth Todd†

690 Mount Moriah

M Garry Thomas Lowrance
SW Scott Eugene Heath
JW absent

691 Renfro

M Henderson Carlyle Whitaker
SW Clayton Elmer King Jr.
JW James Oliver Frye

692 East Gate

M Jerry Wayne McCoy
SW Allen Hardy†
JW John Ernest Wakefield

693 Charles M. Setzer

M Christopher Michael Owsiany
SW William Frank Riordan III
JW Richard James Mather

694 Gate City

M Jerry Neal Owens
SW Richard Howard Greene
JW Michael Harold Rachael

695 Allen-Graham

M Barry Wayne King
SW Billy Ray Linker
JW Joseph Randall McWaters

696 Memorial

M Gene Terry Cutting
SW Robert Ingram†
JW Kenneth David Fishback

697 Butner

M Cecil Irvin Hudgins
SW Robert Warren Pearce
JW Cecil Irvin Hudgins†

698 Cape Hatteras

M Waverly Allen Fagley†
SW Desmond R. Foster Jr.†
JW William Armstead Arrington†

699 Asheboro

M Jerry Lee Hulin
SW Aaron Wayne Strider
JW Robert Alan Graves

700 Friendship

M Donald Ray McDonald Jr.
SW James William Slone
JW Theophilus Hunter Hill Jr.

701 Garner

M Woody Franklin Sandy
SW William James Setzer
JW Jimmy R. Stevens

702 St. Andrew

M Barry Lynn Porter
SW Harvey W. Burgess
JW Richard Charles Burgess

703 Albemarle

M John Frank Clark
SW Charles Grayson Stephens Jr.
JW Larry Gene Efid

704 King Solomon

M Charles Raymond Absher
SW Timothy Mark Daniels
JW Joseph Christopher Lineberger

705 Richard Caswell

M Leslie E. Grant†
SW Leslie E. Grant†
JW Leslie E. Grant†

706 Newport

M Peter J. Guerry†
SW Johnnie Dyer Burtscher
JW Jerry J. Browne†

707 Forsyth

M Eugene Arthur Leadbetter
SW John Henry Alexander
JW Charles O'Neal Gordon Jr.

708 Crown Point

M Steven Carroll Little
SW Richard Luby Cannon III
JW Frank Lewis Brewer

709 Conover

M John Daniel Wilkinson†
SW Jack Hurley Elmore†
JW Terry Michael Killian

710 Advance

M Richard Burton Poindexter
SW Kenneth Ray Henderson
JW Billie Edward McDaniel Jr.

711 Piedmont

M Michael Andrew Brooks
SW Eugene H. Durham†
JW Charles Edward Gansont

712 Wilson

M Michael Cummings
SW Gary Langston
JW Tony Ferrell

713 Stanley

M Paul Lester Bumgarner
SW William T. Cope†
JW James V. Rhynest

714 Liberty

M Edward Randall Smith
SW Paul Harold Coble Jr.
JW Roger Euliss†

715 Derita

M James Elsie Chappell
SW John Fielding Herrin Jr.
JW Ronnie Dean Blackwell†

717 Burnsville

M Shelby Dean Branton
SW Larry Dean Snyder
JW Edwin Horhorouny

718 Troy

M Robert Irving Hall
SW William Henry Reynolds
JW Robert Glendon Davis

719 Horse Creek

M Tony L. Grigg†
SW Tony L. Grigg†
JW Tony L. Grigg†

720 Cabarrus

M Danny Ray Kluttz
SW Joe Horton†
JW Jeffery Berne Hamilton

721 Burlington

M Michael Andrews Tuck
SW Gregory Scott Lackey
JW David Benjamin Tuck

722 King

M Timothy Alexander Patrick
SW Richard Glenn McHone
JW James Wayne Joyce

723 Winton

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

724 Berne

M John Grady Whitehurst
SW Richard Haywood Milman
JW Paul Wallace Harrison Jr.

725 Grantham

M Donald Frank Selover Jr.
SW Oswald Thomas Chance Jr.
JW Roger Dail Milligan

726 Keystone

M Harold J. Kossovet†
SW Joseph Marion Griffin
JW A. G. Bartlett†

727 Shallotte

M Guilford Wilson Bass
SW Guilford Wilson Bass†
JW Guilford Wilson Bass†

728 Meridian

M David Lewis Morgan
SW Douglas R. Whitaker
JW James F. Peterman

729 Twin County

M Patrick Kevin McKirahan
SW Patrick Kevin McKirahan†
JW Patrick Kevin McKirahan†

730 Stedman

M Jack Ryder Forbes
SW Jack Ryder Forbes†
JW Jack Ryder Forbes†

731 John Huske Anderson

M Gerd Adolf Hofmann
SW Clyde Frederick Greene
JW Terry Jackson Revels Jr.

732 Bush Hill

M Harry Albert Green Jr.
SW Randall Leon Johnson
JW Barry Edwin Lawrimore

733 Stump Sound

M Michael F. McGrath
SW Sperby M. Piner Jr.
JW Sperby M. Piner Jr.†

734 William Pitt

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

735 James B. Green

M Clarence Elmer Wilson
SW James Gardner Lassiter
JW Robert C. Wilson†

736 New River

M James Henderson Kirtner Jr.
SW Samuel Alfred Foster
JW Conrado G. Garcia

737 Steele Creek

M Harold Henry Edwards
SW Richard Edwin Carver
JW Clifford Austin†

738 West Gate

M Jack Alvin Davis
SW John Carl Votik Jr.
JW Don Adrian Abernathy

739 Newell

M Steven Joseph Guidry
SW Raymond Lloyd White
JW James Guy Taylor Jr.

740 Charles B. Newcomb

M William Alfred Wood
SW Eric Thomas Decker
JW Carl Ray Staton

741 Crissie Wright

M Alton Kendall Willis
SW Alfred Prescott Noyes
JW Ronald Avery Willis

742 Mint Hill

M Donald Denny Allen
SW James Brice McLaughlin
JW William Michael Elliotte

743 J. J. Crowder

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

744 Shelby

M Francis Richardson Ledford
SW Ricky Allen Jones
JW Perry Earl Huskey

745 Vandora

M Donald James Faggart
SW Dennis Howard Cupp
JW Paul B. Nappen

746 P. P. Turner

M Christopher Maurice Reece
SW William Alan Hurlburt
JW William Alan Hurlburt†

747 Ocracoke

M absent
SW absent
JW absent

749 Truth

M E. W. Treadaway
SW James Ray Mills
JW Richard Lewis Primm

750 Oak Grove

M Thomas Wayne Pipkin
SW Robert Franklin Gunter Jr.
JW Richard Horace Perry

751 Old Town

M Kenneth Edgar Lewis
SW Douglas A. Bristow, Prosy
JW James Franklin Dotson

752 Enterprise

M Joseph Daniel Atwell
SW Thomas W. Allen Jr.
JW Danny Hedrick†

753 Federal Point

M Randall Arden Searls
SW Kurt Joseph Bartley
JW Randall Arden Searls†

754 Masters

M Arthur E. Turbyfill Jr.
SW Arthur E. Turbyfill Jr.†
JW absent

755 Clemmons

M Andrew Franklin Dinkins
SW Gregory Ferrell Key
JW Larry Dwayne Holloman

756 Clifford Duell

M Andrew Olin Drenkhahn
SW Sammie Devaughn McMinn
JW James Calvin Peterson

757 Denver

M absent
SW William Christopher Edwards
JW William Brannon Henderson

758 Oak Island

M Jerry Van Dove
SW Robert Lee McCarter Jr.
JW Lindsey Todd Darnell

759 James K. Polk

M Willis Gardner Lockamy
SW Edward W. Boland†
JW Brian Paschal Talley

Address of the Grand Orator

(Docket No. 1)

The Grand Master presented Past Grand Master William H. Simpson, Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, who delivered the following oration:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

Two years ago, when I arrived at Memorial Auditorium in Raleigh to open the Grand Lodge on the second day of the Annual Communication, several members of the Committee on Masonic Ceremonies and Miscellaneous Publications were seated at a table near the front of the auditorium collecting copies of the publication they had distributed. One of the members of that Committee was Most Worshipful Brother Boyd Hopkins. When I approached the table, Brother Hopkins looked up at me and, with tears streaming down his cheeks, said to me: "Bill, I never really wanted to be Grand Master. All I ever wanted was to be Grand Orator". I don't think I fully understood Brother Hopkins' feelings at that time. I have a better understanding today. What an honor! What an opportunity! What a challenge! Most Worshipful Grand Master, thank you for this appointment.

Brethren, in keeping with our Grand Master's theme this year, I have titled my remarks, "The Hope of Promise". Before I begin, Worshipful Brother Charles Clay, accompanied by Brother Windell Cunningham, will sing, "The Hymn of Promise". I want to dedicate this song to our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Thomas W. Gregory.

The Hope Of Promise

"I ... do ... solemnly" promise...

"I ... do ... solemnly" promise...

"I ... do ... most solemnly" promise

Thus begin, in part, our Masonic obligations.

Promises, promises, promises

We are a fraternity of promise makers. In the three degrees of the symbolic lodge we make more than 75 specific promises. In making each of these promises, we agree to do or not to do something. Other promises are implied if not specified. We are promise makers.

What is a promise? *Webster's Dictionary* says a promise is "one's pledge to another to do or not to do something specified." It is a declaration that gives the person to whom it is made a right to expect or to claim the performance of a specified act. It is a definition every Freemason should commit to memory. It is a definition every Freemason should review every day.

Samuel Johnson says: "A promise is a declaration of some benefit to be conferred."

Promises should not be confusing, but sometimes we make them so. For instance, *American Collegiate* and *Random House Webster's Collegiate* dictionaries cannot agree on how to spell what we are, and that is "promisors". A promisor is one who makes a promise. A "promisee" is one to whom a promise is made.

By definition, as Freemasons, we are both promisors, promise makers, and promisees, the recipient of promises. Each one of us as a friend and as a Mason, has made promises to every Freemason and to the whole human family who are to aid, support and protect each other.

We who have promises to keep and who keep our promises will inspire others to do the same. We must keep our promises despite our own agendas.

Alexander Pope showed us the value of a promise and its connection with friendship:

**"Who broke no promise, serv'd no private end,
Who gain'd no title, and who lost no friend."**

For most of us, the making of promises did not begin when we assumed the obligations of Masonry. It may have begun with the Cub Scout Oath: "I promise to do my best, to do my duty, to God and my country..." The Cub Scout handbook teaches, "To promise means to keep your word when you tell someone you will do something. People will trust you to keep your promise."

Your first promise may have been the Boy Scout Oath or promise:

"On my honor, I will do my best, to do my duty to God and my country, and obey the scout law, to help other people at all times; to keep my self physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight."

It may have been your promise as a new church member to support your church with your presence, prayers, gifts, and service.

It may have been your marriage vows to honor and obey, and so on.

Your first promise may have been allegiance to the flag, a vow of loyalty to your employer, your military oath, or a promise to tell the truth in a court of law. It could have been one of many other promises.

The founders of our country made pledges or promises to each other, serious promises, their lives, their fortunes and most important of all, their sacred honor.

Promises are not new. The young men of Athens had an oath. Among other things, these young men promised never to bring disgrace by an act of dishonesty and to leave things better than they found them.

The Knight's Code contained the pledge never to break a promise and to die honorably rather than to live shamelessly. We are promise makers.

Brethren this sounds very close to the lesson we are taught in Masonry: to be "good and true."

A breach of promise — or a broken promise — is a violation of a promise or pledge. A promise demands responsibility.

Many of history's famous people have had much to say about promises and vows.

•William Shakespeare had this to say about promises: "Tis not the many oaths that make the truth; but the plain simple vow, that is vowed true." He also said, "It is the purpose that makes strong the vow; but vows to every purpose must not hold."

•Abraham Lincoln said, "We must not promise what we ought not, lest we be called on to perform what we cannot."

•C.S. Lewis had this to say: "... Each generation is taught by an earlier generation; none can give to another what he does not possess himself. No generation can bequeath its successor what it has not got."

Do you see a common thread in all these promises? There is one essential that makes them meaningful — "Honor." On My Honor...

Brethren, I believe something is wrong and something is missing in the many promises we make today in both the society in which we live and the Fraternity of which we are a part.

As Masons, we make our obligations and our promises on The Book Of Promises — The Book Of Unbroken Promises. God's word contains many promises and they are all redeemable. God's promises are conditional in that they must be accepted by faith and believed. Hear God's promise given to us in II Chronicles 7:14: "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land."

We are promise makers.

The promises we make in our Masonic obligations are not mere rhetoric, they are real. There is no ambiguity in our promises nor are they retractable. Our promises as Masons, like the promise of God, are also unconditional.

Mahatma Gandhi said that "Our capacity to keep a vow will depend on the purity of our life." The future of Freemasonry is dependent on the condition that we keep our promises.

Masonry must offer "hope." If there is no hope in our fraternity, all is lost. We are promise makers. Why do we make promises? I suppose there are as many answers as there are people in this room. However, if we are sincere, the answer is contained in the mission statement you adopted two years ago.

"The mission of Freemasonry in North Carolina is to raise the moral, social, intellectual and spiritual conscious of society by teaching the ancient and enduring philosophical tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth which are expressed outwardly through service to God, family, country, and self under the fatherhood of God within the brotherhood of man.

Our Most Worshipful Grand Master was most wise in naming as his theme, "Promises To Keep." Masonry's hope for the future has always been linked to our promises. To break a promise is to destroy hope. Could the failure to keep promises be, in large part, the culprit in Masonry's present decline?

We recognize King Solomon as our first Most Excellent Grand Master. God promised Solomon wisdom, a long life, riches and honor if he would keep His commandments. Solomon became a rich and wise king, but his success resulted in his downfall. Years of prosperity led to abuse of power and self-indulgence and his empire began to crumble. Solomon did not follow God's commandments and his country was eventually destroyed, the result of broken promises. Is this another lesson for us from our first Grand Master?

In Masonry's battle for survival today, we must be on the side of morality against immorality, justice against injustice, and truth against falsehood.

Brethren, all is not yet lost. There is hope. It is always darkest before the dawn. Opportunity continues to knock. I love that line in the hymn Brother Charles Clay sang earlier, "From the past will come the future; what it holds a mystery, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see."

Shakespeare, in his timeless play, *Macbeth*, makes the relationship between hope and promise quite clear.

"And be these juggling fiends no more believ'd,

That palter with us in a double sense:

That keep the word of promise to our ear

And break it to our hope."

Let us, as Masons, not offer the world and one another promises which are nothing more than sound bites. Such insincere promises only break the hopes of those who depend on us.

When we fail to keep our promises, we lose sight of our mission and the vision of our purpose. Today, we as a fraternity suffer because we have lost sight of our mission. We need a new vision of that mission. You are our Masonic leaders. You are our hope for today and our vision of tomorrow.

Much has been said and done about Masonic renewal. Masonry must be more relevant in the 21st century. Masonry needs renewal and change. This

is the stuff of seminars and speeches. It sounds good and is all too easy to say.

Brethren, we have not promised not to change. Why are we afraid of change? The only way we can progress is by change. Our objective should not be to prevent change, but to cause change.

Too many of our members think our mission, more specifically their mission, is to impose their own will, run our lodges, and maintain the status quo. As long as that attitude persists we will continue to die. Our mission is to teach morality.

Our mission is to teach brotherly love, relief, and truth that are expressed outwardly through service and inwardly through self discipline and self control. Our mission is to put Masonry in the hearts of men and make them better than themselves. We must never forget that it is not in the tiled recesses of the lodge, but in the home, the workplace, the marketplace, and in the streets of life where Freemasonry must make a difference by keeping its promises.

My Brethren, Masons live in two places. One is found somewhere on a map of our world, for in every free country and in every clime are Masons to be found.

The other place is that philosophical place in our hearts where brotherly love prevails and where every moral and social virtue cements us.

We live in a country and period of history when morality and justice seem to be old fashioned and out of style. One needs only to glance at the world to see that promises have become only words — sound bites for gain. Mark Twain said: "It is curious that physical courage should be so common in the world and moral courage so rare." All too often our finest citizens and our best leaders wander away from promises, obscure them with carefully worded definitions or avoid them through intricate parliamentary gerrymandering.

Some use their words to confuse rather than to clarify, to separate rather than to heal, and to divide rather than to unite. Remember, my Brethren, the winner of a "rat race" is still a rat.

We are, after all, judged by our actions and not by the promises we make. We are judged by the promises we keep. We are promise makers. We must be accountable for our promises.

Why do we make promises? We need to be challenged. We need purpose. Let me share with you some of the challenges that making promises offers us as Masons.

Promises aid us in establishing our priorities. We must decide what is important to us.

Promises require us to restore morality and return Masonry to the highest level of morality. In Masonry, only we have the power to restore morality. We must live a moral life in an immoral world.

Promises help us learn the lessons of honesty, truth, and hope. It is never wrong to tell the truth.

Promises challenge us to accept change. Somewhere in my life I have learned that, "If we always do what we've always done, we'll always get what we've always gotten."

Promises teach us to love and respect one another. Masons' hearts ought not be set against one another but united against wrong and injustice.

Promises insist that we become more tolerant. Other opinions and views are just as important and may be as accurate as our own.

Promises insist that we practice justice. Justice, in a great measure, constitutes the really good man. We are challenged to practice justice as

both good men and Masons. Brethren, in my humble opinion as your Brother, charged with the responsibility of this Grand Oration, I say to you: "A man is still a man regardless if he is just; however, a man without justice in his heart cannot be a Mason."

I have just read Tom Brokaw's book, "The Greatest Generation". He has a chapter on our illustrious Brother Bob Dole. Brother Dole is commander of a national campaign to build a World War II memorial in Washington, DC. Brother Dole says he believes the memorial is "necessary to remind the world that just men and women can prevail." Just Masons can also prevail. Daniel Inouye says: "The one time the nation got together was World War II. We stood as one." Brethren, how long will it take us to stand as one?

My Brethren, let me conclude with one of my favorite Biblical stories, which is found in the book of Numbers. The children of Israel had escaped from Egyptian bondage and wandered 40 years in the wilderness. They had eaten manna until they were sick and tired of it. They had finally arrived at the borders of the promised land. Twelve spies were sent to search out the land. They came back with two reports. Today, this might be likened to a majority and minority report.

The two, representing a minority report, said, "Let us go up at once and possess it for we are well able to overcome it." The other ten, representing a majority report, reported that they could not overtake the land and it would be better for them all to return to Egypt.

The popular song, "Suddenly There Is a Valley" closes with this line: "Suddenly there is a valley where hope and love begin."

Brethren, we stand at the borders of a promised land. We can break our promises, forget our mission, wander in the wilderness, and symbolically "Return to Egypt," or we can keep our promises and enter the promised land.

We are a static organization. If we are to be a viable force for good in the future, we must become more dynamic.

These are perilous times when morality and ethics are in question at every social and political level. Some question our nation's military capability. A far greater question for our Masonic battle is our moral capability.

Our future must not be solely dictated by our past. We are promise makers. Will we keep our promises?

Promises, promises, promises.

In just under four months, it will be fifty years since I was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. I remember the night as clearly as yesterday. The degree had been conferred, the lecture and charge given, and then a Brother recited a poem to remind me of the promises I had made. I have never forgotten that poem. I would like to remind you of those promises by reciting that poem.

In Mason's Lodge with darkened eyes,
And cable tow about you,
You swore to keep all mysteries
That Masons keep and Masons prize;
The Brother's secret whispered low,
The words they speak, the things they do,
In mystic manner taught you.

On yonder book that oath you took, and you will break it never,
But stand by this due guard, and this due guard, and this due guard,
forever and forever.

You swore to answer and obey
The summons sent you duly,

By Brother's hand or Lodge away;
You swore that you would never stray
From ancient laws and rules that bound
Freemasons in the days renowned,
But would observe them truly.

On yonder book that oath you took, and you will break it never,
But stand by this due guard, and this due guard, and this due guard,
forever and forever.

You swore, with generous gifts, to care
For those in sorrow stricken,
The Brother on the darkened square,
The mourner with disheveled hair,
The orphan doomed, alas! To stray
Along life's cold and cheerless way,
Whose tears gush forth unbidden.

On yonder book that oath you took, and you will break it never,
But stand by this due guard, and this due guard, and this due guard,
forever and forever.

You swore with honesty to deal
With each true heart around you;
That honor bright should ever be
Unbroken bond 'twixt him and you
Nor wrong, nor guile, nor cruel fraud
Shall ever break the holy chord
With which these vows have bound you.

On yonder book that oath you took, and you will break it never,
But stand by this due guard, and this due guard, and this due guard,
forever and forever.

You swore the chastity to keep,
Of women true and tender,
A Mason's widow, wife or child,
His Mother, Sister, Undeified,
Those, pure and innocent, whose love
Makes Mason's home like that above;
You are their sworn defender.

On yonder book that oath you took and you will break it never,
But stand by this due guard, and this due guard, and this due guard,
forever and forever.

These are our vows, Brethren, our care,
And may such light be given

In answer to our earnest prayer,
That we may do and dare
All that God's sacred laws enjoin,
So when the evening shades pass o'er us
We may be found in heaven. For:

On yonder book these oaths we took; and we will break them never,
But stand by this due guard, and this due guard, and this due guard,
forever and forever.

Promises, Promises, Promises

Brethren, these are promises to keep. To the extent that we keep our
promises, may the blessings of heaven rest upon us and all regular Masons.
May brotherly love prevail and every moral and social virtue cement us.

Amen and so mote it be.

William H. Simpson, PGM
Grand Orator

Grand Treasurer's Report

(Docket No. 2)

The following report of the Grand Treasurer was received, entered on the record and referred to the Committee on Finance.

To Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

December 31, 1998

Total Funds available 12-31-98 \$503,831.71

RECEIPTS YTD	554,441.46	
Total Income		554,441.46
Total Disbursements YTD		493,682.79

Total Cash to be accounted \$564,590.38

SPECIAL FUNDS:

	1/1/98	12/31/98
Special Contingency Reserve	\$161,461.39	170,561.39
Emblems and Awards Reserve	3,838.91	8,683.51
Automobile Reserve	6,742.35	10,767.89
Book Reserve	43,527.94	78,601.33
Building Reserve	11,858.16	30,733.27
Office Reserve	4,210.51	9,956.23
Development Fund	21,328.62	10,592.68
Disaster Relief	70,469.75	63,769.75
Charity Fund	<u>27,793.05</u>	<u>30,751.05</u>
Total Special Funds	\$351,230.68	\$414,417.10

Total Special Funds 12/31/98

414,417.10

Total General Funds Available

\$150,173.28

Securities	Amount	Issue Date	Maturity	Rate
Petty Cash	100.00			
First Citizens	104,259.72			
Fidelity Bank	100,000.00	9/14/98	9/14/98	5.5%
Capital Bank	100,000.00	2/13/98	1/13/98	5.5%
New South Bank	50,000.00	1/13/98	1/13/98	6.1%
Atlantic States	100,000.00	8/27/98	2/28/98	5.30%
NBC Bank	9,687.43		n/a	5.55%
Triangle Bank	<u>100,543.23</u>	10/19/98	n/a	Vari
Total	\$564,590.38			

Respectfully Submitted,
Clifton W. Everett Jr.
Grand Treasurer

Report of the Grand Secretary

(Docket No. 3)

The Grand Secretary presented the following report, which was received, entered on the record, and referred to the committee on finance.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

I herewith submit my report as Grand Secretary for the calendar year ended December 31, 1998, including expenditures for the year and a suggested budget for the calendar year 1999:

FINANCIAL REPORTS

BUDGETS

January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998 and Proposed 1999 Budget

	Estimated Income 1998	Actual Income 1998	Variance 1998	Estimated Income 1999
56,159 Master Masons @ \$9.00 (Actual 56,835)	\$533,511	535,845	2,334	
54,916 Master Masons @ \$10.00			0.00	\$549,160.00
1,200 Initiation Fees @ \$1.00	1,200.00	1,134.00	(66.00)	1,100.00
Penalty for Late Returns	0.00	1,605.00	1,605.00	1,500.00
Dividends and Interest	15,000.00	15,526.00	526.00	15,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	1,000.00	323.00	(677.00)	1,000.00
Total Income	\$550,711.00	\$554,432.00	\$3,721.00	\$587,760.00

PROPOSED BUDGET

Acct. No.	Account Name	Budget 1998	Expended 1998	Unexpended 1998	Proposed 1999
800-00	Philanthropy				
800-01	Masonic Home for Children	12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00	12,500.00
800-02	Masonic & Eastern Star Home	12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00	12,500.00
800-03	Charity	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
	Charity (initiation fees)			0.00	(11,000.00)
800-04	Hospital Visitation (MSA)	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
800-05	Hospital Visitation (NC)	300.00	100.00	200.00	300.00
800-06	Masonic Youth Organizations	3,500.00	3,168.00	332.00	7,000.00
800-09	Geo. Washington Nat. Mas. Mem. (Exp.)	6,000.00	5,610.00	390.00	5,500.00
800-10	Geo. Washington Nat. Mas. Mem. (Inc)	(6,000.00)	(5,610.00)	(390.00)	(5,500.00)
	Total	38,800.00	38,268.00	532.00	42,300.00
810-00	Salaries and Fees				
	Total	144,902.00	137,984.00	6,918.00	160,779.00
820-00	Administration Costs				
820-01	Stationery	1,800.00	1,045.00	755.00	1,800.00
820-02	Printing (Routine)	6,550.00	3,223.00	3,327.00	8,500.00
820-03	Printing (Proceedings)	7,600.00	7,600.00	0.00	8,550.00
820-04	Office Supplies	1,500.00	2,199.00	(699.00)	2,500.00
820-05	Postage	7,500.00	7,818.00	(318.00)	10,000.00
820-06	Office Equipment	7,500.00	10,473.00	(2,973.00)	9,000.00
820-07	Office Equipment Maintenance	5,000.00	6,189.00	(1,189.00)	6,500.00
820-08	Telephone	7,500.00	5,306.00	2,194.00	6,000.00
820-09	Transportation (Grand Secretary)	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00	7,000.00
820-10	Official Forms (Annual Returns)	750.00	760.00	(10.00)	850.00
820-11	Auditing	5,000.00	5,444.00	(444.00)	3,000.00
820-12	Dues Cards Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	(9,500.00)
	Total	57,700.00	57,056.00	644.00	54,200.00
830-00	Building Expenses				
830-01	Utilities	13,500.00	12,671.00	829.00	12,500.00
830-02	Building Maintenance	11,700.00	11,619.00	81.00	11,700.00
830-03	Equipment Maintenance	5,000.00	4,871.00	129.00	5,000.00
830-04	Hazard Insurance	11,500.00	11,271.00	229.00	11,500.00
830-05	Building Reserve	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
	Total	56,700.00	55,432.00	1,268.00	55,700.00

840-00	Membership Fees and Dues				
840-01	Masonic Service Association	2,950.00	2,890.00	60.00	2,850.00
840-02	Conference of Grand Masters	690.00	540.00	150.00	690.00
840-03	GMC Committee on Recognition	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
840-04	Conference of Grand Secretaries	130.00	130.00	0.00	130.00
840-05	Southeastern Masonic Conference	300.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
	Total	4,170.00	3,960.00	210.00	4,070.00
850-00	Travel and Officers Expense				
850-01	Grand Master's Travel	7,500.00	6,393.00	1,107.00	7,500.00
850-02	Grand Master's Automobile	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00
850-03	Grand Master's Office	1,500.00	155.00	1,345.00	1,000.00
850-04	Deputy Grand Master's Travel	600.00	235.00	365.00	600.00
850-05	Senior Grand Warden's Travel	600.00	262.00	338.00	600.00
850-06	Junior Grand Warden's Travel	600.00	260.00	340.00	600.00
850-07	Grand Treasurer's Travel	600.00	563.00	37.00	600.00
850-09	Grand Secretary's Travel	5,800.00	5,471.00	329.00	5,800.00
850-10	Judge Advocate Office & Travel	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
850-10	Judge Advocate Office & Travel	1,800.00	819.00	981.00	1,800.00
850-11	DDGM Travel	1,800.00	262.00	1,538.00	1,800.00
850-12	DDGL Travel	1,800.00	262.00	262.00	3,500.00
850-13	Grand Lodge Comm. & Emer. Comm.	3,500.00	3,238.00	262.00	3,500.00
	Total	32,600.00	25,657.00	6,943.00	32,100.00
860-00	Boards and Committees Office and Travel				
860-01	Board of General Purposes	2,500.00	2,923.00	(423.00)	2,500.00
860-02	Board of Custodians	8,400.00	8,373.00	27.00	8,400.00
860-03	Lecture Service	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
860-04	Masonic Public Relations	0.00	226.00	(226.00)	600.00
860-05	Finance Committee	700.00	577.00	123.00	700.00
860-06	Code Commission	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
860-07	Lodge Service Commission	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
860-08	Masonic Education	5,000.00	4,210.00	790.00	11,400.00
	Total	17,000.00	16,309.00	691.00	24,000.00
870-00	Out-of-State Visitation				
870-01	Visiting other Grand Lodges	1,500.00	1,452.00	48.00	1,500.00
870-02	Conference of Grand Masters	1,900.00	2,102.00	(202.00)	2,400.00
870-03	Conference of Grand Secretary	600.00	529.00	71.00	0.00
870-04	MSA & GWNMA Conference	600.00	600.00	0.00	600.00
870-05	Southeastern Masonic Conference	3,400.00	1,656.00	1,744.00	0.00
	Total	8,000.00	6,338.00	1,662.00	4,500.00
880-00	Annual Communication				
880-01	Grand Lodge Officers		2,162.00		
880-02	Past Grand Masters		2,521.00		
880-03	DDGM's Travel		2,686.00		
880-04	DDGL's Travel		2,573.00		
880-05	Boards, Committees & Commissions		3,852.00		
880-06	Guests		4,112.00		
880-07	Auditorium, Banquets, Etc.		22,382.00		
	Total	47,000.00	40,287.00	6,713.00	42,000.00
890-00	Miscellaneous Expenses				
890-01	Awards, Aprons, and Emblems	12,700.00	12,700.00	0.00	8,000.00
890-02	Grand Master's Portrait	700.00	435.00	265.00	700.00
890-03	Trial Commission Expense	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
890-04	Contingencies	1,500.00	1,404.00	96.00	1,500.00
890-05	Warehouse Storage	480.00	462.00	18.00	480.00
890-06	Grand Lodge Library & Archives	4,000.00	3,677.00	323.00	4,000.00
	Total	19,480.00	18,679.00	801.00	14,780.00
900-00	North Carolina Mason				
900-01	Editor's Salary	14,420.00	14,420.00	0.00	14,939.00
900-02	Social Security Tax (99 Retirement & Hospital)	1,103.00	1,103.00	0.00	1,143.00
900-03	Printing	42,000.00	36,098.00	5,902.00	43,500.00
900-04	Postage	39,000.00	32,082.00	6,918.00	39,600.00
900-05	Retirement and Hospital Insurance		0.00	0.00	
900-07	Travel	1,200.00	178.00	1,022.00	1,200.00
900-08	Equipment and Supplies	1,800.00	1,321.00	479.00	4,300.00
900-09	Internet Web Page	2,000.00	1,373.00	627.00	2,000.00
	Total	101,523.00	88,575.00	14,948.00	106,682.00

910-00	Development Program				
	Administrative				
910-01	Director's Salary	55,620.00	55,620.00	0.00	59,756.00
910-02	Social Security—Dir. & Cler.	5,479.00	4,862.00	617.00	6,203.00
910-03	Retirement and Hospital Insurance	7,862.00	7,862.00	0.00	6,885.00
910-04	Travel Expenses	4,500.00	3,403.00	1,097.00	4,500.00
910-05	Telephone	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
910-06	Postage	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
910-07	Office Supplies	1,000.00	813.00	187.00	1,000.00
910-08	Miscellaneous Program Expense	4,000.00	2,887.00	1,113.00	4,000.00
910-09	Office Equipment	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
910-10	Clerical Assistance	16,000.00	7,936.00	8,064.00	21,333.00
	Sub-Total Administrative	103,461.00	92,383.00	11,078.00	112,678.00
	Program Development				
910-11	Spring Orientation	12,500.00	8,353.00	4,147.00	12,000.00
	Total	115,961.00	100,736.00	15,225.00	124,678.00
910-12	Program Reimbursement	(115,961.00)	(100,736.00)	(15,225.00)	(124,678.00)
	Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
800-00	Philanthropy	38,800.00	38,268.00	532.00	42,300.00
810-00	Salaries and Fees	144,902.00	137,984.00	6,918.00	160,779.00
820-00	Administration Costs	57,700.00	57,056.00	644.00	54,200.00
830-00	Building Expenses	56,700.00	55,432.00	1,268.00	55,700.00
840-00	Membership Fees and Dues	4,170.00	3,960.00	210.00	4,070.00
850-00	Travel and Officers Expense	32,600.00	25,657.00	6,943.00	32,100.00
860-00	Boards & Committees				
	Office and Travel	17,000.00	16,309.00	691.00	24,000.00
870-00	Out-of-state Visitation	8,000.00	6,338.00	1,662.00	4,500.00
880-00	Annual Communication	47,000.00	40,287.00	6,713.00	42,000.00
890-00	Miscellaneous Expense	19,480.00	18,679.00	801.00	14,780.00
900-00	North Carolina Mason	101,523.00	86,575.00	14,948.00	106,682.00
910-00	Development Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total Expense	527,875.00	486,546.00	41,329.00	541,111.00
	Series 800-00—910-00	527,875.00	486,546.00	41,329.00	541,111.00
	Estimated excess/(deficit)	22,836.00	67,886.00	33,191.00	26,649.00

Estimate of Membership

(As of December 31, 1998)

Add:	Gains In 1998	
	Number Initiated	1,116
	Number Passed	938
	Number Raised	951
	Number Admitted	353
	Number Restored	198
	Total Gains	1,502
Deduct:	Losses In 1998	
	Number Expelled	8
	Number Suspended, U. M. C.	1
	Number Excluded, N. P. D.	883
	Number Demitted	409
	Number Died	1,492
	Total Losses	2,793
	Membership Previous	60,571
	Net Loss	-1,253
	Membership 12/31/1997	59,318
	Corrections	-32
	Membership Previous	59,286
	Net Loss	1,291
	Membership 12/31/1998	57,995
	Total exempt members	3,179
	Petitions rejected	92

The foregoing figures under "Estimate Of Membership" are subject to change as the Annual Returns of the lodges are audited during the year.

Chartered Lodges

Number of Chartered Lodges as of December 31, 1998 384
 There were no lodges under Dispensation as of December 31, 1998.

**The Grand Lodge of North Carolina
 25-Year Service Awards**

A total of 1612 Grand Lodge Service Awards (25-Year Emblems and Certificates) were presented during the year 1998.

**The Grand Lodge of North Carolina
 Veteran's Awards**

A total of 591 Veteran's Emblems and Certificates (50-Year Awards) were presented during the year 1998.

**The Grand Lodge of North Carolina
 Diamond Jubilee Awards**

A total of 38 Diamond Jubilee Emblems and Certificates (60-Year Awards) were presented during the year 1998.

Respectfully submitted,
 T. Walton Clapp III

Report of the Auditor

(Docket No. 4)

The following report of David Scobie, Certified Public Accountant, Auditor, was received, entered on the record and referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of The Grand Lodge of AF & AM of North Carolina (Grand Lodge) as of December 31, 1998 and 1997, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Grand Lodge as of December 31, 1998 and 1997, and the results of its activities and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audits were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying supplemental information, the schedules of activities and changes in unrestricted net assets—general fund by sub-activity and schedule of activities—operating

fund unrestricted net assets, are presented for purposes of additional information and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such supplemental information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Respectfully submitted,
David F. Scobie,
Grand Lodge Accountant

Report of the Lodge Service Commission

(Docket No. 5)

The following report of the Lodge Service Commission was received, entered on the record, and adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Lodge Service Commission respectfully submits the following report for the period beginning January 1, 1998 and ending December 31, 1998.

March 1998—Approved loan and construction of new lodge building for Perseverance Lodge No. 59

April 1998—Approved purchase of land by Temple Lodge No. 676

June 1998—Approved Oxford Lodge No. 122 request to borrow money for lodge improvement

June 1998—Approve Mooresboro Lodge No. 388 request to construct new lodge building

September 1998—Approved Articles Of Incorporation and Bylaws for Masonic Building Company of High Point

October 1998—Approved Fairview Lodge No. 339 request to borrow money for lodge improvement

December 1998—Approved construction of new lodge building for Oak Grove Lodge No. 750

Respectfully submitted,
Dewey L. Keller, Chairman

Report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence

(Docket No. 6)

The following report of the Fraternal Correspondence was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

There are two questions of fraternal recognition we face this year. One is simple and straightforward. The other is the most emotional the Craft here has faced in years, perhaps ever.

National Grand Lodge of Romania

The first is a request for recognition from Marea Loja Nationala din Romania, the National Grand Lodge of Romania. The grand lodge was reestablished in 1993 after years of Communist enforced darkness. The Commission on Information and Recognition of the Conference of Grand Masters of North America recommended them for recognition later that year. The Commission is the body we first consult when approached for establishing fraternal relations.

As of our last correspondence with Romania in October 1998, they had been granted fraternal relations by 25 U. S. grand lodges. They had 700 members in 48 lodges at that time. Based on the experience of other grand lodges and the recommendation of the Recognition Commission, we recommend that our Grand Lodge extend fraternal relations to the Grand Lodge of Romania.

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Inc.

The other question of recognition we have been forced to face this year is more complex and emotional. Three of our lodges have asked that we recognize the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Inc.

Section 6-1 of *The Code* lists eight points upon which a grand lodge is judged before it may be recognized. It is readily apparent that the Prince Hall Grand Lodge easily meets examination on five of the points. It has exclusive authority over its lodges (Sec. 6-1.2), makes Masons of men only (Sec. 6-1.3), and excludes controversial politics and sectarian religion from its activities (Sec. 6-2.5). The sacred book of divine law is present in the lodge while it is at work (Sec. 6-1.6). It conforms to the following five necessities of a Masonic body: acknowledges a belief in God (Sec. 6-1.4.A), secrecy (Sec. 6-1.4.B), uses the symbolism of operative masonry (Sec. 6-1.4.C), divides itself into the three degrees we use (Sec. 6-1.4.D), and uses the legend of the third degree (Sec. 6-1.4.E).

Section 6-1.7 requires that the grand lodge to be recognized occupy its territory exclusively or share it by mutual consent. This is problematic on its surface, but could be solved with proposed changes to Section 2-2 and a compact negotiated between Prince Hall Grand Lodge and ours.

Section 6-1.1 presents a problem because North Carolina's Prince Hall Grand Lodge was chartered by the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of New York in 1870, a body not in fraternal relations with our Grand Lodge at that time. Section 6-1.8 presents a related problem in that they were created in territory occupied by our Grand Lodge. The United Grand Lodge of England has indicated that North Carolina's Prince Hall Grand Lodge is eligible for recognition based on their line of descent. They trace their roots to the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, already recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England.

For the sake of our discussion here, we will accept without argument the following proposition we have heard several times this year: There is no need for two grand lodges; one predominantly white, the other predominantly black; in our state. Our law bars no man from membership in our lodges on the basis of his race. A black man is welcome to petition and join any of our constituent lodges.

While this may be true, it disregards the history of our nation and our state. Although a second grand lodge may be "unnecessary" today, our law expressly forbid membership to "Negroes" from 1915 until 1972. That encompassed three generations of American black men who fought our wars, worked our fields, and served our communities. They had but one option if they desired to better themselves through the precepts of our Craft—Prince Hall Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

From our establishment in 1787 through 1915 black men were not technically forbidden membership. Reality presented a different picture. Men of dedication and conscience, no matter their color, have for more than two centuries sought the truth and brotherly love of Freemasonry. It is only natural that men denied access to it by locally established lodges seek the lessons of our gentle Craft wherever they could find them. Since the mid-

1800s the place African American men of North Carolina have found those lessons is in Prince Hall lodges.

We should not ask Prince Hall Masons to abandoned an organization which has served them and our communities so well for nearly 130 years.

We should not, and perhaps cannot, judge the actions of our forefathers. They, after all, knew a world very different from ours. They made their rules governing Freemasonry based on the world in which they lived.

Freemasonry is well served by shared jurisdictions in many places around the globe, including 28 of the United States that share territory between Prince Hall and Ancient grand lodges. The same can be true here.

There comes a time we must realize that our rules and regulations serve our Freemasonry, not the other way around. Our laws must suit the world and Fraternity as we know it today. Recognizing Prince Hall Masonry in North Carolina would at once forgive the transgressions of those who established a grand lodge without permission and the seeming discrimination of our forefathers who excluded black men from "regular" Masonry. It would define our future in North Carolina and set an enviable example for all.

The suggested change to Section 2-2 and the negotiation of a compact defining a fraternal relationship with the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of North Carolina would forgive the shortcomings we find in Prince Hall successfully satisfying Section 6-1.1 and 6-1.8. It would also best serve out times, our communities, ourselves, and our Craft.

It is the course we recommend for our Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard E. Carter, Chairman

Report of the Judge Advocate

(Docket No. 7)

The following report of the Judge Advocate was received, entered on the record, and adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

During the Masonic year 1997-98, the Judge Advocate has considered eleven matters, and the disposition has been as follows:

Determined by Judge Advocate	8
Determined by Trial Commission	3
Matters pending Trial	0

Respectfully submitted,
Ronnie Stewart
Judge Advocate

Report of the Committee on By-Laws

(Docket No. 8)

The Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges presented the following report which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges reports that amendments to the by-laws of the following lodges were approved during the year 1998-1999:

Marietta Lodge No. 444

Newport Lodge No. 706
Granite Lodge No. 322
Stedman Lodge No. 730
Currituck Lodge No. 463
Bethel Lodge No. 589
Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 143
Widow's Son Lodge No. 519
Maiden Lodge No. 592
Columbus Lodge No. 102
Biltmore Lodge No. 446
Dillsboro Lodge No. 459
Williams Lodge No. 176
Junaluskee Lodge No. 145
Person Lodge No. 113
Keystone Lodge No. 726
Franklin Lodge No. 109
Harmony Lodge No. 340
Siler City Lodge No. 408
St. John's Lodge No. 13
Ayden Lodge No. 498
Farmington Lodge No. 265
Roseboro Lodge No. 585
Clifford Duell Lodge No. 756
William Pitt Lodge No. 734
Belmont Lodge No. 627
Granite Lodge No. 191
Red Springs Lodge No. 501
Home Lodge No. 613
Warsaw Lodge No. 677
Newell Lodge No. 739
Concord Lodge No. 58
Riverside Lodge No. 606
Greensboro Lodge No. 76
East LaPorte Lodge No. 358
Casar Lodge No. 579
St. Patrick's Lodge No. 617
Mooresboro Lodge No. 388
Elberta Lodge No. 654
St. Andrew Lodge No. 702
Gaston Lodge No. 263
Green Level Lodge No. 277
Oconee Lodge No. 427
Balfour Lodge No. 188
Waynesville Lodge No. 259
West Gate Lodge No. 738
Twin County Lodge No. 729
Memorial Lodge No. 696
Spencer Lodge No. 543
Biscoe Lodge No. 437
King Solomon Lodge No. 138
Leaksville Lodge No. 136
Mocksville Lodge No. 134
Perserverance Lodge No. 59

Respectfully submitted,
T. Walton Clapp III, Chairman

Report of the Committee on Charity

(Docket No. 9)

The Committee on Charity presented the following report, which was entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Charity wishes to report the following disbursements for the calendar year 1998:

To JHT	\$1,000.00
To the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford	6,000.00
To the Masonic and Eastern Star Home	6,000.00
To RLP Jr.	1,000.00
To JLR	400.00
To DW	1,000.00

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald S. Page, Chairman

Report of the Administrator Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc.

(Docket No. 10)

The following report of John A. Rose, Administrator of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Inc. was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of Directors:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

I am proud to write this, my fifth report as Administrator of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. It seems just like yesterday when I reported that 1998 would bring a host of improvements. At this writing a new Care and Wellness Center, which will include a program offering more economical and higher quality Assisted Living, is underway and more than half complete.

MESH, as the Home is affectionately known, has made good progress in several areas.

One of the deficits reported last year was communication with our members. MESH has developed better media materials to include a pamphlet for applicants which described the Home and the services available. We have also developed several other less formal materials for Lodges and Chapters and send these in envelopes with routine communications. The Masonic District Deputy Grand Masters were invited to the Masonic Home for Children in Oxford on a wonderful weekend in March of 1998. There, in addition to learning about their role as DDGMs, they learned about our three Masonic Charities. The DDGMs are serving as conduits of accurate information about our Homes.

We are pleased that we have furthered our goal to receive, track, account, and acknowledge donations through a management information system designed especially for the Masonic charities. Jim Medlin, Development Director, the Grand Lodge, the Masonic Home for Children, and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home are able to share this data and reduce duplicate work.

In the industry of retirement living, continuing care retirement communities are required to employ the services of a registered dietitian. MESH is no different. We have taken a different posture, however, and put the dietary program under the supervision of a chef. Meals continue to be well planned, balanced, and nutritious. Therapeutic diets are, of course, managed properly. The concept of a chef-manager has brought improved aesthetics, touches of class such as an attractive salad bar, menu alternatives, a variety of soup choices, improved use of select seasoning, and implementation of scratch cooking.

MESH continues to look for opportunities to find efficiencies, additional revenue sources, and scales of economy. The annual budget has increased an average of one percent annually over the prior four years. The projected deficit has been reduced from more than \$644,000 to \$220,000. Despite the projected deficit, with the blessings of almighty God, a favorable economic market, and increased attention by you—the Masons of North Carolina—there has been no annual deficit.

MESH wages and salaries are now in line with other facilities in our State. This has made it possible to replace an old—and very expensive—retirement plan with a less expensive but comparatively generous 401(k) retirement program. This plan rewards tenure and has been implemented in a manner that will result in no financial loss to current employees yet assure them the opportunity to save for the future.

Resident Statistics

My grandfather from Dallas, North Carolina seemed to have a saying for every occasion. I remember that he said, "If you say it enough, people will hear you." I must say again that the MESH philosophy continues to be that our employees work in the resident's Home rather than residents live in our facility. Residents are regarded as Masonry's best customers.

Each resident served in your Masonic and Eastern Star Home represents more than a name. Each name is tangible evidence that Masons accept their obligation. Charity is love and your continued love is fraternally appreciated.

Population	Men	Women	Total
Beginning Census on 1-1-98	28	156	184
Admissions	8	21	29
Sub Total	36	177	213
Withdrawals	0	0	0
Deaths	2	23	25
Ending Census	34	154	188
Comparison to Previous Year	+6	-2	+4

Waiting List	Men	Women	Total
Waiting list 1-1-98	0	9	9
Applicants Approved	8	14	22
Sub Total	8	23	31
Admissions	8	21	29
Removed from list (choice/death)	0	2	2
Waiting List (12-31-98)	1	2	3
Comparison to Previous Year	+1	-7	-6

Acknowledgments

This begins my fourth year as your administrator. The residents of MESH have become wonderful friends. The staff are as loving and compe-

tent as can be found anywhere. This does not happen by accident. It starts with you—the owners of this Home. What makes an institution a Home is love. *The Bible* reminds us to plead the widow's cause. Our Masonic Homes in North Carolina set an example of Homes and not institutions.

The Board of Directors of MESH deserves special recognition. Every year has its special challenges and opportunities. This year has been difficult. Change of any kind is difficult. I believe that a common work combined with a significant challenge gives rise to cohesion.

This MESH Board of Directors clicked and, in my opinion, is the most cohesive and united group of people with whom I have had the pleasure to serve.

Under the leadership of Thomas W. Gregory, chairman and grand master, the Board is continuing to position our Home to serve in this next century. I am also compelled to say that Tom Gregory is one of the finest men I have ever met. I have had the pleasure to know only a few great men. Tom is not only a great man, more importantly, he is a good man.

The Grand Lodge Office personnel under the direction of our Grand Secretary Walt Clapp have been very helpful in the past year. The Masons of North Carolina are fortunate to have such friendly and capable professionals at our side. They do much to help MESH remain organized.

The residents of MESH send their sincere and fraternal appreciation to the Masons of North Carolina. Freemasons may no longer erect temporal buildings. We do, however, erect spiritual temples to the glory of God. Masons and their families who care for this Home have the ability to look past wrinkles and the glassy eye of age. You assure that the residents in our care have value, worth, and dignity.

You are the rare people who understand that we are all children of God, just some older than others.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted,
John A. Rose
Administrator

Report of the Board of Directors Of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc.

(Docket No. 11)

The following report of the Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home was received and entered on the record:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

During the Masonic year, the Board of Directors convened their regular meetings on May 9, August 15, November 14, and February 13, 1999. A special called meetings was held on January 16, 1999.

The Board of Directors is comprised of 20 qualified members of which 12 are Masons and eight are members of the Eastern Star. The Grand Master serves as chairman. The Deputy Grand Master and Senior Grand Warden are members by virtue of their position. The other Masonic members are appointed by the Grand Master and elected by the voting members of Grand Lodge at the annual communication. The many important responsibilities of the Board are directed through committees and, when necessary, ad hoc committees. Standing committees are instrumental in maintaining efficient and effective operations of your Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

These committees include Admissions, Personnel, Finance, Buildings and Grounds, Real Estate, Long Range Planning, and an Investment Committee. Two ad-hoc committees, Construction and Charter Study, continue their important work. The Construction Committee directs and oversees the current expansion project. The Charter Study Committee, with input from the Long Range Planning Committee, will complete a revision of our Corporate Charter.

The Board of Directors receive regular reports from the Administrator which relate to the daily operations of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

We are pleased with the Home's activities during 1998. Economies and efficiencies have been found and resulted in only a small increase to the operating budget for 1999. Savings have been plowed back into the Home's resident care program resulting in an improvement in the quality of care and life.

Our attention continues to be on balancing the needs and wants of the residents and those qualified for admission. All this must be in the context of the income earned by your contributions to the Endowment and Foundation, through estate giving, through the participation of those now residing in the Home, and other revenues to which the Home and our residents are entitled.

The following unaudited operating income comparisons will depict the financial picture of MESH. In sum, operating revenues are improved over 1998. The main reasons are a favorable market climate, greater participation of residents through asset assignments upon entry, and a significant contribution from one single donor. These several reasons are extremely fluid and cannot be relied upon for future fiscal years.

Total Income		
	1997	1998
Residents		
Income	1,331,008	1,429,781
Asset Division	345,969	519,890
Real Estate	233,164	488,137
Apartment Accommodation Fees	150,000	75,000
Apartment Maintenance	140,817	114,342
RTA Transfer	241,081	203,872
Mortgage Interest	26,151	24,511
Rental Property	5,325	0
Total	\$2,473,515	\$2,855,533
Fraternal		
Blue Lodges, Appendant Bodies	380,510	760,469
N.C. Masonic Foundation	327,978	318,584
Grand Lodge	18,500	18,500
Grand Chapter OES	280,200	370,907
Total	\$1,007,188	\$1,468,460
Investments		
Endowment Interest/Dividends	533,288	563,375
MESH Operating Interest & Dividends	95,539	90,957
Total	\$628,827	\$654,332
Miscellaneous		
Medical Recoveries	37,672	40,827
Other Miscellaneous Recoveries	46,753	22,529
Total	\$84,425	\$63,356
Grand Total Of Income	\$4,193,955	\$5,041,681

*Deposited to Endowment

+20.2%

Annual operating expenses depicted in four most recent budget years have been held to an average one percent annual increase. In fact, fiscal year 1999 will be the first budget increase since the restated budget of 1995.

Total Operating Expenses		
	1997	1998
Administrative	700,073	771,250
Dietary	607,141	645,145

Maintenance	509,642	486,229
Care Center Health Care	1,673,294	1,680,326
Residential Health Care	391,466	407,857
Environmental Services	327,176	352,007
Activities	137,707	158,116
Independent Apartments (Cottages)	43,275	38,845
Social Services	36,030	31,292
Board Of Directors	11,373	12,011
Total Expenses	\$4,437,167	\$4,583,078
		+3.2%
Key Ratios	1997	1998
Cost Per Resident Year	\$ 23,446	\$ 24,967
Cost Per Resident Month	1,954	2,081
Cost Per Resident Day	64.24	68.40
Average Population Served	189.25	183.56

Status of the Original Care Center Building Fund

Accumulated Funds (Start)	\$ 1,633,284
Contributions and Interest	224,996
Expenses	1,533,936
Misc. Reimbursements	1,602
Accumulated Funds (December 31, 1998)	\$ 325,946

These funds, collected since the mid-1980s for this purpose, performed as the seed money for the new Care Center. As of this writing, the ending balance has been consumed by the construction in progress.

The above financial figures are pre-audit.

Appreciation:

Each resident served in your Masonic and Eastern Star Home represents more than a name. Each contribution and dollar spent represents more than money. Your Home is tangible evidence of the extent to which Masons and Eastern Star members accept their obligation. Charity is love and your continued love is needed.

On behalf of your Board of Directors, "Thank You" for your continued attention to this, one of the purest forms of charity that can be found. The Bible reminds us to plead the widow's cause and to visit the fatherless in their affliction. What better example than this, our Masonic Charities?

Respectfully submitted,
The Board of Directors
Masonic and Eastern Star Home of
North Carolina, Inc.

**Report of the Committee on
The Masonic and Eastern Star Home**

(Docket No. 12)

The following report of the Committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home was received, entered on the record and referred to the Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

In accordance with Regulation 38-17 of *The Code of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina*, this Committee made its annual visit, inspection, and evaluation of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home herein (MESH) on February 13, 1999. Members present were Jerry Tillelt and Jerry Gatten.

We met at the office of MESH administrator and CEO John Rose. There we examined the management of its business, reports of officers, and talked about the future of this special Masonic charity. Brother Rose was most helpful, open, and informative.

We learned that as part of the expansion program an independent audit expressed the need for a logo with emphasis on a home environment as opposed to an institutional type facility. Consistent therewith a logo was developed from a competition highlighting the unique relationship of the Order of Eastern Star and the North Carolina Masons referencing our proud heritage and promising future.

We also learned that MESH now has a toll free number, 1-888-558-6374 (MESH).

We are pleased to report that the deficit budgeting of the past few years has been further reduced under the leadership of Administrator Rose and the Board of Directors. There was a projected deficit in 1996 of \$644,000.00. For 1999 the budget projects a potential of \$220,000.00 in deficit. However, no actual deficit spending has ever occurred. This deficit budgeting is expected to be eliminated completely in the very near future despite increased demands for our home. This reduction is due to a combination of factors, first the identification of an additional stream of revenue from third party payor insurance coverages available to residents together with and a legal plan to implement the reimbursement and collection through a partnership with partners medical choice plan not formerly utilized. This process does not interfere with nor threaten MESH's independence and discretion in admissions since these coverage are entitlement, not need based.

Also, through more accurate individual asset identifications and divisions residents now participate to a fuller extent with their care. Residents continue to contribute 54% to the overall cost of running the home with 35% from gifts leaving 11% in deficit to be made up elsewhere.

Lastly all vendors or service contracts are considered on a competitive basis yearly resulting in an overall savings for MESH. Note, the MESH's operating budget has increased less than one percent per year over the last four years.

Lastly, implementation of the aging in place program whereby better utilization of facilities is made with RN supervisors allowing home care in our residential section thereby preventing premature placement in the more expensive care center.

The Foundation has done an excellent job in managing endowment fund yielding in 1997 a total of 22% including 18.5% growth and 4.3% dividend interest.

The committee believes the economic management of MESH to be superb.

MESH looks forward to reaping the benefits from better marketing of the MESH facility and those unique benefits available to residents through brochures which are very professional, aesthetic, and cogent in emphasizing the positive aspects of home life. The committee was made aware through projections of the continued need and much increased need culminating around the year 2005 for MESH facilities to accommodate the Masonic population. This is expected even without an additional growth of Masons. We are pleased to report that the waiting list once expected to be five to seven years is now reduced to approximately six months, making the Home able to meet an immediate and pressing need from its membership.

Following this information gathering we toured the facilities of MESH, the renovation of the Bass Care Center and including the new construction. The new construction included a wellness center (a medical clinic with therapeutic equipment and pool) accessible by residents in the independent living, nursing patient, and general resident population phases. The new nursing patient section will accommodate 100 persons alone. All rooms in the new phase are very spacious being 20% larger than that required by law.

In addition, the new section will include a section for Alzheimer patients designed to provide care for their unique needs and make their environment safe, happy, and accommodating. The average period of stay as a nursing patient continues to be 36 months of the total 10.1 years at MESH.

We also talked informally with several of the residents. All of the residents are well cared for and seem very happy within their home environment. They spoke very highly of the administrator and staff. They expressed pride in our new buildings and the dining room. The dining room is very decorative, comfortable, cheerful and functional, and designed to accommodate individuality of choice in seating. This reflects the apparent conscious effort by the staff to make this a home rather than an institution or a hospital. The residents all rave over the practices utilized including a never ending coffee and tea". Residents can sit and chat or perhaps read while enjoying beverages at any time. Serving hours are relaxed. Portions and menus are by choice except when required by medical instructions. The kitchen remains the centerpiece of the current resident's life where a chef and a dietician employ scratch cooking. The kitchen is sufficient and equipped to support the new expansion.

This committee recommends:

1. Replacement of this older dormitory type housings with emphasis on residential apartments.
2. Opening of one side of the employee dining room into a sandwich/ice cream bar.
3. Review and consideration of a fee for services program divestiture allowing potential residents to pay a set fee for living at MESH without divestiture of all personal assets.
4. Immediate attention and/or government intervention regarding the property tax exemption problem.
5. Continuation and expansion of long range planning with emphasis on providing better than the county home and expansion of involvement with Masonic and OES officers including DDGMs and DDGLs.
6. Development of long range plan for physical facilities considering: reutilization of basement in Linville Building from residential to non-living areas such as classrooms or meeting rooms; relocation and centralization of administrative offices; expansion of a central community or entertainment center; and renovation of Bennett Building including new heating system.

Overall we find the staff very compassionate, skilled, and helpful among whom the morale was good. We found the grounds to be well kept and the buildings clean and orderly, and except as noted in good condition. The committee believes the overall management of MESH is excellent. The residents are well cared for and happy. Indeed, MESH is meeting and exceeding its mission statement, to provide a nurturing environment where order, truth, love, happiness, and security are evident."

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Tillett, Chairman

Report of the Administrator The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

(Docket No. 13)

The following report of David R. Grissom, Administrator of The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of Directors:
To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The year 1998 was an outstanding year for your Masonic Home for Children as 125 years of continuous care to needy and deserving children was celebrated on our campus. Special events, programs and activities were held throughout the year and we are grateful to our Masons, Alumni, friends, and supporters for making our rich heritage meaningful and special. Approximately 8,000 children have received guidance, love, and stability since our Home opened its doors in 1873 and Freemasonry can be proud of the accomplishments that have been made since the first three children arrived on our campus on a cold February day.

Fortunately, over the years, a great deal of warmth, hope, and wise decisions have been made with the primary purpose and mission of our Home to see that the children came first. Our Board of Directors has maintained this goal in all of their meetings and endeavors, and during 1998 this was practiced with tremendous care and deep affection for our children, and employees, and our entire facility. The annual report of our Board of Directors is included in this booklet for your information.

Looking at the overall operation of the campus, many programs, activities and projects were attained in 1998. As current brethren will recall, a stained glass window program for the York Rite Memorial Chapel was completed and dedicated. The eight windows are beautiful and thanks to many wonderful donations from alumni, Masons and friends, this project was done with great success. In addition to the windows, a new baby grand piano was donated by the Martin Overcash Family in loving memory of Brother Marvin's brother, Davies Overcash. Marvin and his brother spent a number of years at Oxford Orphanage. A new organ has also been installed and the dedication service for this beautiful instrument will be held on Sunday, April 25, 1999, at 3:00 P.M. in the York Rite Memorial Chapel with the public invited to attend.

In addition to the spiritual guidance found in our Chapel, the Watson Resource Center in the basement of the Chapel continues to be a place where children can receive assistance with their education. Tutors, a computer lab, study hall, and resource books are available to every student and at the writing of this report the overall grade point average (GPA) is 82.4. We extend our deep appreciation to Ms. Mary Ann Lumpkins, education director; Miss Wendy Cox, assistant; and Coach Mike Currin, assistant, for the excellent work they have done to make our educational goals a priority. We are also grateful to the Granville County School System, the teachers and administrators for all the extra time and efforts they have made to assist our children. It is gratifying to see and hear that our children from the Masonic Home for Children are just like all the other children and the school system has done a great job in treating our children as equals with the other students.

Our college Independent Living Program continues to assist students who want to further their educational goals and dreams. This program has been a tremendous support for students who want only a two-year degree. However, if a student wants to go to a four-year college or university he or she can transfer based on grades and academic achievement. A number of alumni have stated on many occasions, I wish this program were available when I lived on the campus! At the present time, we have two students at Campbell University, one at UNC-Charlotte, one at Greensboro College, and one at Meredith College.

Admissions to the Masonic Home for Children continue to fluctuate. During 1998 we were able to assist over 200 children. As a long term residential care home we provide quality care to every child who is admitted to our care. However, since our Home does not assume custody, a child can return home if a parent or guardian withdraws the child. As a follow-up, our Home tries to make every effort to see that the child returns to a safe

environment and is stable. In a number of cases, if the child is not receiving proper care after he or she has been withdrawn for a period of time, the child could possibly be returned to the Masonic Home for Children. At the conclusion of 1998, we had a total census of 121 children.

To increase awareness of our Masonic Home for Children, a video was professionally made during 1998 and distributed to all of our Masonic Lodges throughout the state. This video can be used in the Masonic lodge as an educational program, as an information tool for civic or church groups, or to families or individuals who are considering placement of a child or children. There are children throughout our state who need *A Place To Call Home* (as the video is entitled) and our Home can provide that kind of quality care. Many thanks to the special committee that Grand Master Thomas Gregory appointed to design and produce this video. The members include: Calvin Gaddy, Chairman, Doug Mayes, Jim Reddish, Jim Gallo-way, John Moore, Wes Lefler, and David Grissom.

As many of our brethren are aware, the *Campus Tracks* newspaper from the Masonic Home for Children continues to grow in subscription number. All of our Masonic Lodges along with other groups and individuals should be receiving this informative paper. Although it is basically done by the students, two adult advisors have and continue to work behind the scenes to see that all the articles, pictures, and events fall into place at the proper time. To Mike and Jeannie Soehnlein, the student and staff thank you for a job well done. We also express our appreciation to our Printing Department on campus as they always try to make sure the paper is printed and mailed on time. If any of our brethren are interested in subscribing to this excellent paper, please contact the Soehnleins at the Masonic Home for Children.

In addition to our program and events, St. John's Day during 1998 was another great success. Over 10,000 Masons, their families, and friends participated in this annual celebration. As you are aware, this event is the largest Masonic celebration in the state every year and it continues to grow in size and excitement. We continue to thank our three Shrine Temples—Amran, Oasis, and Sudan—for all the great work they do to make this day a big success. These Nobles and brethren share this day with their own personal time and expense and we appreciate their support, love, and dedication.

We are always grateful to Lloyd Young, chairman, and the St. John's Day Committee for their time, many telephone calls, and hard work as they start preparing a year in advance for every St. John's Day. As you prepare for 1999, be sure to mark your calendar for Saturday, June 25, as this will be a time you will always want to remember. As you plan to attend be sure to bring two special ingredients: a lounge chair and a big smile because admission is free.

In conclusion, the children and staff at the Masonic Home for Children extends to our Board of Directors, Masons, alumni, and friends across the state our deep appreciation for all you do to help and support our children. You are a vital part of our big family and you are making a tremendous difference in the lives of many needy and deserving children.

We express our deep appreciation to Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory for his leadership and direction during his year in office. The year has passed quickly but we look forward to his continued good work with us in the future.

We are also grateful to three of our faithful Board members who are completing their three-year term on our Board of Directors. To W. C. Morrisette Jr., president of the Board; William G. Hendrix, vice president of the Board; and Hugh Terrell Jr., many thanks for your leadership and

vitality as we appreciate all you did and we look forward to your continued involvement in the future.

Come to your Masonic Home for Children in Oxford and let us show you what your support is doing and you will leave with a tremendous feeling of pride. Take care brethren and may God bless you now and always.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. David R. Grissom
Administrator

Report of the Board of Directors Of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

(Docket No. 14)

The following report of the Board of Directors of The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of Directors for the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford conducted their quarterly meetings during February, May, August, and November. Two of these board meetings were held on the Masonic Home for Children campus and two were held on the campus of the Masonic end Eastern Star Home in Greensboro. Both boards were allowed to visit the two facilities and conduct business to give members exposure to both Homes. The committees representing the Masonic Home for Children presented their reports to the full Board of Directors for final decisions and this was done with great care.

During 1998 a great deal of focus has continued to be on education. Due to the opening of the J. Earl and Dot Watson Resource Center in the basement of the York Rite Memorial Chapel, the children have had access to computers, resource books, and study hall with tutorial assistance. The grades have improved and our children are taking more pride in their school work. At the writing of this annual report, the overall grade point average across the campus is 82.4. At the present time, it is our desire to see upgraded computers in each of the eleven cottages on campus which will include Internet and e-mail access. During 1999 our Board will work to see this attained.

The Independent Living Cottage for college students continues to help students further their educational endeavors. Students living in this cottage must maintain a full course load at the local Vance-Granville Community College, and work part-time to help pay for their transportation and insurance. Our Masonic Home continues to pay for educational expenses and health care as long as the students are in college. We currently have several college students at Campbell University, Meredith College, UNC-Charlotte, and Greensboro College.

The census on the campus of the Masonic Home for Children will vary during the year. At the end of 1998 there were 61 girls and 60 boys for a total of 121 children. During 1998, we were able to assist over 200 children but due to a number of children returning home or graduating, our population fluctuated. Our Board of Directors encourages all of our Masonic lodges throughout the state to keep a keen eye and ear open to refer children in their communities, who need care and assistance, to our Masonic Home for Children. Our Home currently has space available to provide quality care to approximately 60 more children, but the local Masonic lodge must take the first step and refer the child or children to our Home. If you have questions or need to know how to refer a child to our Home, please contact

Donald Sizemore, director of admissions for the Masonic Home for Children at (919) 693-5111. He will gladly provide you with information and answers to any questions you may have.

During 1990, a special project was done to better inform our Masonic Lodges about the Masonic Home for Children. Our Board of Directors designated monies to develop a professional video entitled *A Place Called Home*. A copy of this video was mailed to each lodge in our state to assist lodges with the admission process and to better educate our Fraternity on what our Home is doing to help children. Please use this video in your community with civic groups, churches, schools, and open house programs. There are also individuals across our state who wish to remember our Masonic Home for Children in their wills and this video is an excellent way to help these individuals see what they are supporting.

Our Craft will be interested to know that new stained glass windows, a new piano, and a new organ have been installed in the York Rite Memorial Chapel during 1998. A dedication service was held for the beautiful windows and piano with the organ to be dedicated on April 25, 1999 at 3:00 P.M. All of our Masonic lodges were invited to contribute to the stained glass windows and we appreciate the many donations and support for this wonderful project. If you ever have the opportunity to visit the Masonic Home for Children, be sure to go inside the York Rite Chapel and you will be amazed and proud that this project was done with such success.

Also, during 1998, the Masonic Home for Children celebrated St. John's Day. Since 1998 was the 125th anniversary of our Masonic Home, approximately 11,000 Masons, their families, and friends, were in attendance for this annual event. It was a great experience as the fun, food, fellowship, and weather were outstanding. We appreciate the continued support of our three Shrine Temples in North Carolina, Amran, Oasis, and Sudan. As they do an outstanding job and give of their time and personal expense to make sure this day is a complete success. We had a large number of dignitaries and appendant bodies marching and riding in the St. John's Day parade, and we appreciate this kind of Masonic involvement. We continue to say a big, "thank you," to Brother Lloyd Young and his St. John's Day Committee, for the excellent work that is done to make this wonderful day a meaningful experience for everyone. As a reminder St. John's Day 1999 will be held on June 26, 1999. The admission is free and when you arrive, be sure to bring a lounge chair and big smile and enjoy an experience of a lifetime. We are looking forward to seeing you.

Financially, the Board of Directors carefully studies the overall operation of the Masonic Home for Children during each quarter. It is important that our Craft know their donations and contributions are utilized to help the children and provide constant quality care. The brethren will find a Comparative Statement of Income and a Comparative Statement of Expenses for 1998 at the conclusion of this Board of Directors report. As the Board reviews each department during our quarterly meeting, we try to keep the cost in line and in many cases several departments report under budget. Of course, if a department has needs and can justify expenses, the budget is adjusted, with the approval of the full Board to assist that department. Our purpose and mission is to see that the children entrusted to our care receive proper care and that their needs are met. As a Board, we appreciate the fine work David Ford, business manager; Mrs. Mary Helen Parrott, financial secretary; and Mrs. Brenda Wilkins, executive secretary, provide on a daily basis as they keep accurate records on all expenses and respond as quickly as possible with letters of appreciation for gifts, donations, and monies given to our Home. Our Board also extends deep appreciation to Dan C. Rice, chairman of Finance, and the Finance Committee for the wonderful work they provide in keeping our financial books audited

throughout the year. This committee makes quarterly reports and keeps our Board informed on all income and expenses.

It is vital for our Craft to know that we are always trying to increase our Endowment Fund for the Masonic Home for Children. Legacies, wills, and bequests are placed in our Endowment Fund and, fortunately, over the years a number of people have remembered our Home. You will be interested to know that our Alumni Association contributes to our Endowment Fund as a way of saying a big, "Thank you," to Masons for helping them when they needed it most. If any of our brethren know of individuals, families, or friends who wish to remember our Masonic charities in a philanthropic manner, please call Jim Medlin, Director of Development for The Grand Lodge of North Carolina at (919) 787-2021, and he will gladly help you. As our Masonic Home for Children receives no direct federal or state funds, we want to express our deep appreciation to our Fraternity for supporting our children now and in the future.

As we conclude our Annual Report for 1998 from the Board of Directors, we wanted to express deep appreciation to Grand Master and Chairman of the Board, Thomas W. Gregory, for his leadership and guidance during his year in office. We also wanted to say a special thanks to three of our board members who have completed their three-year terms as active and vital members. To W. C. Morrisette Jr., president of the Board; William G. Hendrix, vice president of the Board; and Brother Hugh Terrell Jr., many thanks for all you have done, and we look forward to your continued support in the future.

We have been blessed over the years to have active Boards whose heads, dedication and commitments have been totally for the children and we are thankful for this kind of love. May God guide our Board now and in the years ahead as we anticipate many more wonderful opportunities and challenges for our Masonic Home for Children.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Directors

The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford Comparative Statement of Income 1998

	1997	1998
Legacies	\$947,475.58	\$3,666,794.08
Social Security Payments Received on Dependent Children	54,086.00	19,799.98
Printing	326,362.59	364,241.32
Farm	4,306.37	4,422.00
Miscellaneous, Materials Equipment Sold	—0—	3,300.00
Grand Lodge Appropriation and Foundation	113,169.80	124,564.39
Donations (Blue Lodge) And Other Masonic Bodies	575,242.78	641,705.22
Donations - General Public	135,698.65	126,461.83
Income From Investments	1,177,484.07	1,385,193.04
Critcher Farm Income, Food Income, Cash Discounts	39,452.55	37,410.63
Total	\$3,373,278.39	\$6,373,892.49

Comparative Statement of Expenses 1998

	1997	1998
Administrative	\$ 753,202.60	\$ 886,043.45
Direct Child Care	370,770.80	407,811.19
Food Service	250,985.50	263,772.77
Health Care	144,727.06	133,450.07
Religion	41,035.01	48,366.78
Education	86,163.79	82,718.72
Recreation	64,616.26	69,136.06
Plant & Operation	736,151.88	733,870.25
Printing Department	383,196.64	386,812.95
Total	\$2,830,849.54	\$3,011,982.24

Report of the Committee on the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, Incorporated

(Docket No. 15)

The following report of the Committee on The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of Directors:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The committee met on February 4, 1999 at the Home with George A. Nash Jr., Claude E. Childress, and David K. Potter absent. Committee members present were J. B. Rash, John W. Boner, and myself.

Also in attendance were David R. Grissom, administrator and his management team which consist of; Sherri Moore-Mott, chaplain; Hazel Davidson, Food Services; Pat (Miss Pat) Gravley, Clothing; Mike Norwood, Maintenance; Brent Stewart, assistant administrator; David Ford, business manager; Mary Ann Lumpkin, Education; Missy Cottrell, Infirmary; Phil Donavant, Printing; and Mike Little, Athletics.

Brother Grissom and each member of his management team gave the committee an interesting and informative briefing on their duties and responsibilities. We all agreed that we left the campus with a much better understanding of the workings of our home thanks to their efforts as well as a new found confidence in there dedication to our children's welfare.

Findings: Our home is serving 131 children as of this writing, with a capability to handle 200. All of the children have chores to do each day in the dining room, the print shop, clothing department, and so on. Some of the older children have part time jobs in the afternoons and on Saturdays off campus with local businesses.

The budget for fiscal year 1999 is 3.6 million dollars. Of this amount 1.4 million comes from endowments, \$800,000 from donations from the local lodges, and a small amount from the farm rental. The balance is unfunded deficit.

The staff has taken on recently a land use study which is still in the development stage. After hearing some of their ideas we are confident that this will be of great interest to the Craft and benefit for the future development of our resources.

It was pointed out to us the need for an independent infirmary to care for the children's health needs.

After our meeting with the management team we began a tour of the campus by first having lunch in the dining room where we found the ambiance conducive for the wholesome and tasty meal we enjoyed which was served by a friendly and efficient staff.

After lunch we continued on our tour whereupon we found the facilities clean and in good repair, the staff friendly and dedicated to the care of the needs of our children.

Recommendations: That the meetings of this committee be increased to at least semiannual, but preferably quarterly meetings to be held in conjunction with the quarterly board meetings.

That the committee structure be altered to staggered three year terms with the addition of the Grand Marshall and the Junior Grand Deacon as members as well as the Senior Grand Deacon as chairman.

That the Board proceed with vigor with the construction of a separate infirmary for the health needs of our children.

That all lodges within this Grand Jurisdiction make a maximum effort to procure children that are in need of the care we can provide in order to

bring our population up to the 200 we are capable of caring for.

That all lodges within this Grand Jurisdiction greatly increase their efforts to fund the budget needs of this institution.

That the available services of the Print Shop be employed by our membership for their individual as well as lodge printing needs.

And that the video that has been sent to all the lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction be used in the communities to promote our home among the profane.

Observation: It is the sincere belief of the committee that the members of the Craft can be confident that they have a loving, dedicated, and well trained staff diligently at work for them caring for the spiritual, physical and emotional needs of our children.

Respectively submitted,
William G. Mathis, Chairman

Resolution of the Committee on Finance

(Docket No. 16)

The following resolution of the Committee on Finance was read and unanimously adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on Finance shall be the first order of business at the morning session of the Grand Lodge held on Saturday, April 10, 1999, and,

RESOLVED further, That all resolutions, motions, and reports asking for or carrying appropriations and expenditures not included in the proposed budget, shall be placed before the Grand Lodge before 4:00 P.M. on Friday, April 9, 1999, and,

RESOLVED further, That all such matters offered after 4:00 P.M. on Friday, April 9, 1999, be carried over to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in 2000.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert E. Gresham Jr., Chairman

Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business

(Docket No. 17)

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence. This report was respectfully submitted by David W. Godfrey.

Proposed amendments to *The Code* contained therein are found along with their disposition in the Report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, Docket No. 48.

Report of the Representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association

(Docket No. 18)

The following report was received and entered on the record. The recommendation that the Grand Lodge continue its membership in MSA was adopted, and the matter of

finances was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The annual meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was held in Honolulu, Hawaii on February 22, 1999 in conjunction with the Conference of Grand Masters.

It was announced at the meeting that plans are nearing completion for the June 26, 1999 commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the death of George Washington. The ceremonies will include a special wreath-laying at Washington's tomb at Mt. Vernon.

Following the ceremonies at Mt. Vernon, a square and compasses emblem measuring 60 by 70 feet will be dedicated on the grounds of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia. The emblem will identify the Memorial as a Masonic edifice and will be sufficiently large to be seen from the main street in Alexandria. From the air, the emblem will be visible to travelers from the vast number of planes that fly in and out of Washington National Airport each day.

On October 17, 1998, a ceremony was held to dedicate a window at the memorial in honor of H. Lloyd Wilkerson. A large delegation of Masons and their ladies from North Carolina was in attendance to pay tribute to this distinguished Masonic statesman.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial is a majestic edifice which lodges and individual Masons, as well as members of the public, find inspiring to visit.

I make the following recommendations:

1. That we continue our membership in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.
2. That the Grand Lodge of North Carolina keeps its lodges and members informed about the memorial through appropriate articles in *The North Carolina Mason*.
3. That we increase our contribution to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association as funds become available.

Respectfully submitted,
L. R. "Pete" Thomas Jr., PGM
Representative

Report of the Representative to the Masonic Service Association

(Docket No. 19)

The following report was received and entered on the record. The recommendation that the Grand Lodge continue its membership was adopted, and the matter of finances was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The 80th Annual meeting of the Masonic Service Association of North America was held in Honolulu, Hawaii on February 22, 1999 with the conference of Grand Masters.

In keeping with the Masonic tradition of service to mankind, the Masonic Service Association put out appeals in 1998 for disaster relief for Alabama and a several countries in Central America.

The MSA Hospital Visitation Program continues to render valuable service to Masonic and other patients at Veterans Administration Medical Centers. In North Carolina, this very worthwhile program is in effect at the Veterans Administration Medical Centers in Fayetteville, Durham,

Salisbury, and Asheville. I commend the Masons who so unselfishly volunteer their services at each of these facilities.

Your representative attended a Masonic Service Association Veterans Administration Volunteer Workshop in Nashville, Tennessee on January 29-30, 1999. The workshop addressed the challenges and opportunities associated with the V. A. Medical Centers' transition from traditional in-patient hospital care to out-patient care and long-term nursing home care. In particular, the workshop dealt with the changes the transition will present in the volunteer hospital visitation program. The workshop was very ably conducted by Edward F. Rose, MSA Hospital Visitation Director.

The Masonic Service Association is headquartered at 8120 Fenton Street in Silver Spring, Maryland and is under the direction of Richard E. Fletcher, Executive Secretary. The MSA continues to print and distribute the "Short Talk Bulletins" and other digests and publications, which are available from the MSA office.

As your representative to the Masonic Service Association, I make the following recommendations:

1. That we continue our membership in and support of the Masonic Service Association.
2. That the lodges and members of this Grand Jurisdiction be kept informed in *The North Carolina Mason* of the educational materials and other publications available from the MSA.
3. That the Grand Master continue the tradition of visitations to the V. A. Medical Centers in North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,
L. R. "Pete" Thomas Jr., PGM
Representative

Petition For Restoration

(Docket No. 20)

The Petition for Restoration of JWT Sr., formerly a member of Jefferson Penn Lodge No. 384 was read, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Appeals.

(Note: This petition was approved. See Report of the Committee on Appeals on page 108, Docket No. 40 of these *Proceedings* for action taken thereon.

Petition For Restoration

(Docket No. 21)

The Petition for Restoration of MSU, formerly a member of Hiram Lodge No. 98 was read, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Appeals.

(Note: This petition was approved. See Report of the Committee on Appeals on page 108, Docket No. 40 of these *Proceedings* for action taken thereon.

Petition For Restoration

(Docket No. 22)

The Petition for Restoration of DST, formerly a member of Jefferson Penn Lodge No. 384 was read, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Appeals.

(Note: This petition was denied. See Report of the Committee on Appeals on page 108, Docket No. 40 of these *Proceedings* for action taken thereon.

Petition of Mooresboro Lodge No. 388 To Change Its Name

(Docket No. 23)

The petition of Mooresboro Lodge No. 3888 to change its name was received and referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations.

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

WHEREAS: The Charter issued to Mooresboro Lodge No. 388, AF & AM by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of AF & AM of North Carolina, shows the name of said lodge to be Mooresboro Lodge No. 388, Mooresboro, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS: The said Mooresboro Lodge No. 388, AF & AM, has adopted a resolution for the purpose of changing its name to Friendship Lodge No. 388, AF & AM

WHEREAS: The Grand Lodge of North Carolina had previously approved a change in location to Boiling Springs, North Carolina.

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That Mooresboro Lodge No. 388, AF & AM, hereby petitions the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina to change the name of the said lodge to read Friendship Lodge No. 388, AF & AM

Dated at Boiling Springs, North Carolina, April 10, 1999

Respectfully submitted,
Mooresboro Lodge No. 388,
AF & AM

Report of the Grand Historian

(Docket No. 24)

The following report of the Grand Historian was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The exciting possibility of being citizens of two millennia is a rare opportunity our time and place in history have afforded us. We will soon be witness to the passing of one millennium and the beginning of the next. Only a few generations, every thousand years, are so privileged. Some of us have lived in a far less complicated time, when the known certainties of the community, family, and tradition were not yet lost. We have lived to see it replaced by wondrous changes, wrought by technology, that has evolved us into a world community made both smaller and far less certain.

In the span of one brief life it has been possible to witness greater advancements in all areas of human endeavors, than in any preceding period of man's existence. Regardless of our nostalgia for the past or our eager expectations for an unknown future, basic human nature tends to remain the same. To witness and study history should be important to all of us, especially Brothers of the Craft. Through the study of history we are better able to avoid the mistakes of the past and approach the future with greater optimism. When we study history, not only do we involve ourselves in an enjoyable experience; we expose ourselves to a much needed source of wisdom and instruction that is both necessary and beneficial to our future existence.

Operative masonry has existed throughout several millennia as testified to by ancient structures and archeological excavations. Our beginnings as speculative Masons are not so clearly established. The *Regius Poem* would suggest Freemasonry was existing as early as 930 A. D., while others

would argue the middle to late 14th century as a more accurate time frame. The Knights Templar order, from whom some argue speculative Masonry had its beginnings, was founded in 1119 to protect the pilgrims in the Holy Lands during the Second Crusade. The freeing of the Holy Lands might be more accurately described as the willful attempted extermination of the followers of Islam. Regrettably, the slaughter existed on both sides. The children of the one Almighty Parent were killing each other mostly for the same reason—intolerance. Jerusalem, where the first Grand Master, King Solomon, built his Temple, is known as the City of Peace, but its history has seldom been peaceful.

Today, around the world, we find civil wars being waged aimed at ethnic cleansing, and bombings designed to make political statements, that leave in their wake the maiming and death of innocent individuals. Not just one incident, but repeated incidents of neighbor against neighbor, in a seemingly endless display of ignorance, prejudice, and intolerance. And, right here in America, and more specifically here at home in North Carolina, there are numerous examples of our failures to understand our neighbor is our brother.

As Masons we are mandated to involve ourselves with our fellow man. We indeed must be our brother's keeper, always aspiring to elevate both our brother and ourselves. Our great fraternity, with its illustrious past marked by charity and brotherly love, must constantly guard against division, inaction, and a lack of sincerity or compassion. A failure to be guided by the fundamental teachings of Masonry—disregarding the internal qualities of a man to favor some presumed superior external quality—a failure to be guided by a moral compass that directs us to do the right thing—a failure to see our neighbor as our brother—will surely see our beloved Fraternity continue to slowly slip from us. But with our proper care, as in the past, Masonry must continue to be one of the foundation stones upon which the most noble ideals of society are constructed.

North Carolinians enjoy a rich Masonic tradition with Brothers meeting perhaps as early as 1735 in the area now known as New Hanover County. We have a history of Brothers who have become presidents of our republic, governors and senators of our great state, educators and community leaders. Equally as important, we have Brothers who are faithful husbands, strong fathers, and good neighbors. Whatever our station in life, Masons have always been seen as moral leaders, men guided by a concern to do the right thing.

In 1792 William R. Davie became grand master of Masons, and later governor of North Carolina. Under Brother Davie's leadership the Craft experienced the greatest expansion in its history. Not only did Brother Davie further the Craft by doubling the number of existing lodges; he also furthered education in our great state by founding the University of North Carolina. Founded in 1793, the first state university in the nation, its original buildings—Old East, Old West, South Building, and the Old Well—are laid out in the symbolic form of a Masonic lodge. Originally an institution designed exclusively for white males, the University has evolved into one of the nation's leading centers of learning, diverse in its several campuses, and in its student body and facility.

Brother Davie understood that education, the enlightenment of men, would not only ensure the future strength of our great state but also our Fraternity.

What does the 21st century and the next millennium hold for our Craft? No one can predict the future with certainty, but again history can give us insight. History teaches us that, like man, institutions such as Freemasonry, must evolve and grow if they are to survive. One of our great enemies has been, and might well continue to be, our inability to see our neighbor as

our brother. We must study history to our advantage, using the lessons history has to offer to extract ever ounce of wisdom it has to teach. Wherever good men are to be found, Masons must seek them out and embrace them as Brothers, acknowledging that each of us is the child of one Almighty Parent. If we can do this, live by the fundamental teachings of our Fraternity, not only will Masonry survive well into the next millennium, it will thrive.

Respectfully Submitted,
David S. Keller, Grand Historian

The Board of Publication of *The North Carolina Mason*

(Docket No. 25)

The following report of the Board of Publication of *The North Carolina Mason* was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Our *North Carolina Mason* continues to be one of the outstanding Masonic papers in the country, reaching over 60,000 Masons in North Carolina and many Masons in other jurisdictions. It has always been the goal of our editor, Ric Carter, and the Board of Publication, to present the views of our members in an unbiased manner, whether they be the popular or minority viewpoint. We are grateful to our contributing members for their enthusiasm, interest, and cooperation in the submission of pictures and articles for printing which makes our paper the high quality publication that you, as members, deserve.

We wish to thank our Grand Lodge officers for their help, support and cooperation. The Printing Department of the Masonic Home for Children in Oxford deserve a special acknowledgment for their outstanding service.

Constructive criticism is always welcome, as this enables us to answer the questions and concerns of our membership.

It is a continuing concern of your Board of Publication to exercise good stewardship in keeping the costs of our paper at a minimum while maintaining a high quality in its content and presentation. Most of our increased costs during the 1998-99 year consists of printing and postage.

Last year Carter won a national second place prize for Editorial Writing for Internal Publications from the National Federation of Press Women. Earlier this year Carter won First Place Awards from the North Carolina Press Club for Editorial Writing for "Who May Speak?," an editorial speaking against efforts to control the speech of a member whose comments appeared in *The North Carolina Mason*. He also won a First Place for Sports Feature for a story on Carolina Hurricane player Glen Wesley's loan of a VIP box to kids from the Masonic Home for Children. He also won First Place for Editing an Internal Publication for his work on *The North Carolina Mason*.

We again thank those of you in our jurisdiction who send us articles and pictures. We are grateful for your help.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Carroll Simmons, Chairman

Report of the Committee on Subordinate Lodge Special Activities

(Docket No. 26)

The following report of the Committee on Subordinate

Lodge Special Activities was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

This committee is glad to report that there has been an increase in the number of request for fund-raising projects this year. The Masonic Charities have benefited from proceeds of these projects.

As new Masters take office each year, they need to study *The Code* as it concerns fund-raising activities. We would suggest that all Masons—especially all officers of the lodge, read Reg. 43-12 before planning a fund-raising project. This, along with Reg. 77-1 will give you a clear picture of what a lodge must do to be in compliance with *The Code*.

To be in compliance with the North Carolina Department of Revenue, all non-profit fraternal organizations can have one project of a type in a given calendar year without having to pay sales tax on the gross receipts from that project. The organization is responsible for paying sales tax on the gross receipts from any repeat of a project, for example—two food projects within the same calendar year.

We would like to thank all of the lodges who have submitted their request in a timely manner to hold a fund raising project and have followed through with a financial report within 60 days. We welcome your inquiries and comments and will do everything we can to assist you.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Ray Thomas, Chairman

Report of the Committee on Masonic Public Relations

(Docket No. 27)

The following report of the Committee on Masonic Public Relations was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Masonic Public Relations met four times over the past Masonic year and was able to reach a number of specific goals. This committee has accomplished the following objectives.

1. The establishment of a mission statement for the direction of this committee in relation to promoting a better and more positive image of our Fraternity to the general public.
2. A new series of Radio Masonic Public Service spots were given to all the DDGMs for distribution to stations in their communities.
3. The creation of a new Masonic logo, unique to NC, to be used for specific advertising promoting Freemasonry in NC. They could be used for billboards, newspapers, mugs, t-shirts, caps, and so on. The logo was designed by James E. Reddish, Meadowbranch Lodge No. 578, Wingate and Mitchell C. Griffin, Monroe Lodge No. 244. The beautiful artwork was drawn by Mitch Griffin.
4. We have as this date received gratis 65 billboards from Adams Outdoor Advertising in Charlotte, NC. They are emblazoned with the new Masonic Logo and the phrase 125 Years Helping Kids, The Masonic Home for Children, 888-505-HELP. These boards are up from Gastonia to Hamlet. We wish to acknowledge and thank Kim Carpenter, PR Director for Adams Outdoor Advertising for her support in helping to promote our Fraternity.

Finally, I would like to thank all the members of this committee who

have worked so diligently and brought so many concerns and great ideas to the meetings.

We will continue to work for the good of the Fraternity and encourage all subordinate lodges to do their part with open house events and opening their lodges and hearts to the needs of their respected communities.

Respectfully submitted,
James E. Reddish, Chairman

Report of the Committee on Masonic Education

(Docket No. 28)

The following report of the Committee on Masonic Education was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee of Masonic Research and Development became the Committee on Masonic Education (CME) at Grand Lodge in April 1998. Nine members make up the new committee. As defined by Reg. 30.5, the duties of CME are to make available and implement the Grand Lodge's program of Masonic education; to encourage research and make available education programs; and other duties as prescribed by the Grand Master.

The primary efforts this year have been to provide additional information to the lodges and their delegates regarding the proposed changes to *The Code*.

In that regard, a list of twenty-four common questions regarding Prince Hall Masonry was developed and answers researched. These questions and answers were compiled, not to recommend a position on recognition, but rather to provide the Craft with information that would allow for more informed discussions and decisions. This list was mailed to all subordinate lodge masters and secretaries in September and subsequently published in *The North Carolina Mason*. It was also posted on the Grand Lodge web page. Correspondence, including a survey, was sent to each of the recognized grand jurisdictions, 28 at that time, in the United States that had extended recognition to Prince Hall Masonry. In summary, the responses received were all positive. Several reported joint projects and public activities. There were no reports of any related membership change, up or down, due to recognition being extended. CME also requested and received the response from the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite regarding their position on recognition which was published in *The North Carolina Mason*.

As this report is being prepared, the winter education seminars are underway. Fourteen sessions, from Franklin to Plymouth, were scheduled across the State on Saturday mornings, February 6-March 6. A detailed outline was prepared for speakers to utilize in reviewing each of the proposed changes. Special thanks are extended to several of the past grand masters, Grand Lodge officers, Committee on Finance, and the other leaders that were called upon to speak at the seminars. Based upon the evaluations received to date, the total attendance at the seminars (estimated 700) has increased from previous years and the information provided was very well received.

In January the CME was advised that they would not be responsible for coordinating the leadership session and information on the Masonic charities for the DDGM weekend scheduled for March.

The CME would also like to recognize the volunteer efforts of Al Hardy in serving as webmaster for the Grand Lodge website. His posting of information from CME, dates and locations of seminars, the tarheel-mason listserver, etc. has increased the amount of relevant Masonic information

and communications available to those using email and the Internet in this jurisdiction.

Lewis R. Ledford, Chairman

Daniel P. Weatherington, Secretary

Task Force on Prince Hall Recognition

(Docket No. 29)

The following report of the Task Force on Prince Hall Recognition was received and entered on the record:

At the 1998 Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina Grand Master Gerry Smith and Deputy Grand Master Tom Gregory announced the appointment of a task force to respond to a proposal submitted by Hominy 491 and two other lodges. The last paragraph of that proposal reads as follows:

"Therefore, we propose that *The Code* of the Grand Lodge, AF & AM of North Carolina be amended as necessary, including, but not limited to Chapters 2 and 6, to unilaterally recognize the Grand Lodge of Prince Hall Masons in North Carolina as a regular, legitimate Masonic organization and that Prince Hall Masons enjoy all the privileges granted to any other Masonic organization recognized by the Grand Lodge, AF & AM of North Carolina."

The stated purpose of the Task Force is as follows: "to explore the details and direction to be taken on this issue by the NC Grand Lodge AF & AM" and "to investigate the question, collect the comments and opinions of the lodges, and make recommendations as to what course we should follow on this question. Communication on this issue will continue in the coming year."

Beginning in May 1998 the Task Force held monthly meetings through the summer. Attendance by the members was almost 100%. Seeking a method "to explore, investigate and collect opinions of the lodges" was an early effort. The discussions resulted in an emphasis on four areas:

1. Develop communication with the lodges:

The Task Force discussed the improbable course of giving each lodge three minutes to speak on the floor of the 1999 Annual Communication. A method was needed to receive and respect the opinions of every AF & AM lodge in the state. Acting on a suggested method of ten Active Listening Meetings across North Carolina in September 1998, the members agreed on certain rules for their leadership of those meetings.

The rules were simple: listen to and record responses of each lodge, receive their papers, and not to answer questions, nor debate or affirm any position taken. Included in this method was the thought that the lodges should not be given lectures, but they would be asked to discuss the matter in their own informal meetings. The Active Listening Meetings provided all the lodges the opportunity to be heard.

2. Secure participation by the lodges:

A letter of invitation to the Active Listening Meetings was prepared by the chairman and sent to all the masters, wardens, grand line officers, district deputy grand masters, and district deputy grand lecturers of our Grand Lodge. Active Listening Meetings began on Saturday, September 12, 1998. Ten such meetings were held across the state.

3. Prepare a booklet of lodge responses:

One copy of the booklet will be available at the Grand Lodge office in

Raleigh for review by any of our members.

4. Make recommendations on what course to follow:

Significant questions were raised at the Active Listening Meetings regarding Chapter 2 of *The Code*—specifically the subject of original, exclusive territorial jurisdiction of North Carolina's AF & AM Grand Lodge. These questions are partially answered in Chapter 10 of *The Code*: "Amendments to the Constitution". Chapter 10 outlines the method by which any part of the Constitution can be amended, repealed, revised, or altered.

Other questions and comments centered around the subject matter of Chapter 6—concerning the elements necessary in the practice of another grand lodge if that grand lodge is being considered for recognition. Chapter 6, item 4 contains five subjects which are considered necessary in a Masonic Body:

A. Acknowledgment of a belief in God, the Father of all men

B. Secrecy

C. The symbolism of operative Masonry

D. The division of symbolic Masonry into the three degrees practiced in North Carolina

E. The legend of the Third Degree

While remaining within the prescribed limits concerning conversations about Masonic subjects, liaison person for the Task Force learned that the Prince Hall Grand Lodge satisfies the expectations of Chapter 6-1.4. Mention should be made of other significant parts of Section 6, which stress 6-1.3, making Masons of men only; 6-1.5, dominant purposes being charitable, benevolent, educational and for the worship of God, excluding controversial politics and sectarian religion; 6-1.6, the place of the Sacred Book of Divine Law; 6-1.7, sharing territorial jurisdiction with another grand lodge by mutual consent. These are areas of the same as practiced by the Prince Hall Grand Lodge.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Richard Holshouser, Chairman

Report of the Grand Master's Committee on Masonic Youth Organizations

(Docket No. 30)

The following report of the Grand Master's Committee on Masonic Youth Organizations was received and entered on the record and the portion pertaining to finance was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The delegates to the 212th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina can take pride in the knowledge that our Masonic youth organizations continue to be vibrant and active, pursuing their endeavors in such a way as to make all Masons extremely proud. Continuity of leadership has provided much of the impetus towards the strength of these organizations, and many thanks are due to Dad E. John Elmore, who continues to serve as the state executive officer for the International Order of DeMolay; Ms. Kay Letterman, the supreme deputy in North Carolina for the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls; and Ms. Sandy Dunbar, jurisdictional guardian for the Jurisdiction of the two Carolinas for Job's Daughters. It is really through the efforts of these adult leaders that our youth organizations continue to provide opportunities for our young people to begin to experience the beauties of all that the Masonic Order brings to society.

As in 1998, March of 1999 was again designated to be Masonic Youth Activities Month in North Carolina, and we are extremely indebted to our Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory for his continued support. This proclamation has resulted in decidedly increased activity in our lodges with requests for educational programs, visitation at meetings of our youth organizations, and requests for assistance in starting new chapters, assemblies, and bethels. Additionally, we were fortunate enough to receive from the Governor of our state, the Hon. James B. Hunt Jr., a proclamation designating March as Masonic Youth Activities Month for the state of North Carolina. This was presented at the annual DeMolay Youth Day at the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford on March 7. We are extremely grateful to the governor for providing this kind of support and for helping to bring our Masonic youth organizations to the attention of the people of North Carolina.

The three organizations seem to be working together in a more coordinated manner than ever before. Last July over one hundred members of DeMolay, Rainbow, and Job's Daughters gathered together at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro for a Youth Unity Day. With an entire day of activities, our young people, along with the adult leaders, were able to establish better lines of communication and more common ground upon which to carry out their mission. This was an unqualified success and is being planned again for this summer.

With the assistance of the adult leaders of our three organizations, the Committee on Masonic Youth Activities is making plans to make our youth activities more visible than ever before, both to the members of our subordinate lodges as well as to the public in general. This will involve the use of some printed materials which will be distributed to our lodges across the state as well as other Masonically related bodies. It is felt that enhanced public promotion, in coordination with increased activities within our communities, will result in the message of our youth organizations being spread to a much greater segment of our population, with the hopes that we will then realize improvements in membership levels as well as simply an increased public awareness of all the good that is found in our endeavors.

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina has been expending substantial efforts over the past several years to increase support for our youth activities. These efforts are greatly appreciated by everyone involved, as it is generally felt that this investment is really an investment in the future of Masonry itself. We can take great pride in the knowledge that these activities are as strong in the state of North Carolina as anywhere in North America, and that the young people who make up our youth organizations will be the bedrock of Masonry in the years to come.

Respectfully submitted,
William B. Brunk, PGM, Chairman

Report of the North Carolina Masonic Development Program

(Docket No. 31)

The following report of the North Carolina Masonic Development Program was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of General Purposes:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

This is our fifth year of development programs and activities in the Grand Lodge. We have grown in annual giving, legacy and planned gifts, and individual lodge annual gifting—the Grand Master's Five Star Program.

The year 1998 was another record year for our North Carolina Masonic Charities. The annual giving from the lodges and friends of our two homes was up 20% over 1997 to \$2,119,563.66. Legacy gifts were an all time high at \$4,099,836.08. And, the Grand Master's Five Star Program for lodges contributed \$625,614.87.

But the most impressive growth is reflected in the five-year history. From 1994 through 1998 the five-year average reflects that the 1998 annual giving from our Masonic Brethren and friends to our North Carolina Masonic Charities has grown tremendously—17% per annum. Thus, in 1994 the average North Carolina Master Mason gave \$16.16 and in 1998 the average Mason gave \$35.73 that represents more than double growth dollars coming from the average gift presented to our NC Masonic Charities.

As reported previously, I have been working diligently in assisting our membership in understanding planned gifts and the different ways one might plan to grant their estate, or a portion thereof, to our North Carolina Masonic Charities. I have visited individual homes and lodges throughout our great state; met with Masons, wives, widows, sisters, and even sons and daughters to communicate the message of our charities, their need, and how planned/legacy gifts will live in perpetuity, forever supporting distressed children and elder Brothers and Sisters in our wonderful Masonic Homes.

One can quickly see how important legacy gifts are to our NC Masonic Charities. In 1998 we saw the largest increase in legacy gifts ever. These legacy gifts were placed in their respective Masonic endowments and will live in perpetuity. Our endowments offer a way to live forever; supporting and helping children or elder adults through life-crises, and all the while, remembering our Masonic calling of faith, hope, and charity. But the greatest of these is charity."

The Grand Master's Five Star Program was another resounding success in 1998. We started this program in 1996. Its sole purpose was to enhance and perpetuate endowment growth. By qualifying for the Five Star Program lodges are making extra efforts at working to assist our charities at certain levels. This extra effort performed by these superlative lodges coupled with our remaining 323 lodges blends that course of excellence that Masonic builders accomplish like no other. Thus, our Masonic charities can make their annual expenses and not sacrifice undesignated legacy gifts for annual operations. The individual Homes have been reporting growth in their endowments and we are well on our way into the 21st century continuing our wonderful Masonic tradition of truth and relief.

In 1996 we started the Five Star Program with 21 lodges qualifying for superlative recognition. This year, 1998, 19 of the original 21 will receive the Silver Five Star recognition—contributing \$231,683.62; 25 lodges will receive the 2nd year Bronze Award, contributing \$223,637.02; and 17 lodges will receive the 1st year Five Star Award, contributing \$170,294.23. These 60 Grand Master Five Star Lodges produced over 30% of all annual gifts to our charities.

The Grand Master's Five Star Program is awarded to any lodge that reports overall advancement or improvement in development and fund raising efforts; reflecting progress and evolving and maturing in growth; thus, perpetuating the process of completeness and to initiate and increase the programs and activities aimed at helping The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford and The Masonic and Eastern Star Home and The North Carolina Masonic Foundation.

In conclusion, I am excited about 1998's achievement but I am more excited about 1999 and the 21st century. I am honored to have this opportunity to serve.

Respectively submitted,
James L. Medlin,
Director of Development

Report of the Board of Custodians

(Docket No. 32)

The following report of the Board of Custodians was read and entered on the record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of Custodians is comprised of Danial M. Hogue Jr., grand lecturer; H. V. Massingill, chairman; J. Luigi Ammons, secretary; Ottis R. Jefferson Jr.; Ted Campbell; H. Gerald Grant; and Thomas L. Hartman. We held five meetings in 1998-99.

During the month of September the Certified Lecturer Examinations were conducted across the state in the locations of Greenville, Clinton, Greensboro, Charlotte, and Asheville. The High Point location in Area III was relocated to the Greensboro Masonic Temple due to the sale of their lodge building. The totals for the five days of examinations are as follows: There were 457 Certified Lecturers beginning in April of 1998. The examination results were: new As - 13, renewed As - 58, new Bs - two, and renewed Bs - one. There were nine deceased and 14 dropped from the roster due to failure to report for examination, for a net loss of 23 certified lecturers. There have been 12 extensions filed with the secretary to date, and 14 brethren who failed to appear for re-examination this year. Those who did not apply for re-examination will be extended until 1999 if they contact the secretary. We now have 434 certified lecturers in North Carolina.

During the course of the year there have been a few lodges who have not met the requirements for a School of Instruction as set forth by the Board of Custodians in the April 1996 revision. The attendance requirement for a School of Instruction is three officers and four members for the full six hours of the school. If a lodge misses two Schools of Instruction in succession, they are required to hold a 15 hour Lecture Service. Nearly all of the subordinate lodges have complied with these rules. There have been a few isolated cases where a lodge has been requested to hold a Lecture Service. The Board is encouraging the lodges to comply with the new rules and asking the District Deputy Grand Lecturers to enforce these rules in their respective districts. If the lodge work begins to deteriorate, the Lecture Service may need to be re-instituted.

The *Official Standard of the Work (OSW)* revision is nearing completion. This past year has been spent working on changes to make the three degrees concurrent with each other. The committee has spent numerous hours studying the needed changes. The majority of the changes involve additional red work to make the ritual more precise and explanatory in the floor movements of the lodge. The committee suffered unexpected set backs during the year with the loss of Revision Subcommittee Chairman Joseph C. Saunders, and the hospitalization of the Board of Custodians Chairman H.V. Massengill. At the present time, the committee is very close to the finished product.

Once a working copy is attained, the committee will press forward with the proposed revisions for the approval by the delegates. The process is lengthy, but accuracy is a must. The committee would like for the new book to serve our Grand Jurisdiction for as many years as the present *OSW* has.

The Board of Custodians would like to extend their thank you to Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory for his support to the Board during his year as Grand Master; to Danial M. Hogue Jr., for his tireless efforts as Grand Lecturer; and to Walt Clapp, grand secretary, for his valuable assistance and guidance during the year.

The Board of Custodians would also like to express their appreciation to the 65 District Deputy Grand Lecturers of this Grand Jurisdiction who

have served well and supported the decisions of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Luigi Ammons, Secretary

Called From Labor To Refreshment

Prayer was offered by Grand Chaplain David Cash, and the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 1:15 P.M.

First Day-Afternoon Session Call To Order

Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory called the Grand Lodge meeting to order at 1:15 P.M. on Friday, April 9, 1999.

Presentation of Masonic Youth Organizations' Representatives

Past Grand Master William B. Brunk introduced the speakers from the youth organizations.

Kay F. Letterman, supreme deputy in North Carolina, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls addressed the Annual Communication:

Most Worshipful Grand Master Gregory, Deputy Grand Master Ingram, Grand Lodge Officers, Distinguished Guest and members all:

It is a pleasure being with you today.

We have had a lot of good things going on in Rainbow since we last met.

A. Awards at Supreme Assembly

B. Won more than any other Grand Jurisdiction

1. Membership Awards

a. Leaksville No. 17

2. Service Hours

a. Albemarle No. 32

Hiram Lodge No. 40 in Raleigh sponsored a new Rainbow Assembly last October 1998. The assembly is doing great and the girls are having a good time.

Work has begun in Charlotte to reopen Charlotte No. 1. We will be meeting at Joppa Lodge. We sincerely need your help to recruit girls.

Interest has been shown in other areas for assemblies, some of which are Newell, Greenville, Thomasville, and Concord. Some of these are looking for sponsorship. We need help again in these areas in recruiting new members.

Some of our assemblies are struggling. I would like for lodges to get involved with the assemblies and give your support. The assemblies located in Wilson, Morehead City, and Jacksonville strongly need your help. All the assemblies need more adult involvement. If a lodge is interested in sponsoring an assembly, please see me after the session to receive a packet made up with information in it.

This afternoon I have the pleasure of bringing to you and introducing a lovely young lady, Miss Christy Leigh Blankenship. Her grandfather is Herb Blankenship, Past Potentate of Oasis Temple, and her grandmother, Ann, is Mother Advisor of Winston-Salem Assembly No. 37. Christy is a sophomore at Appalachian State University. She has done an excellent job being our grand worthy advisor. She has gone over and beyond to plan activities for the state and to visit each assembly in our Grand Jurisdiction. She is a young lady of poise and dignity, has a personality that wins your heart, and a smile that you will never forget.

Gentlemen, I present to you, Miss Christy Leigh Blankenship, grand worthy advisor of the Grand Assembly of North Carolina, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.

Grand Worthy Advisor, International Order of Rainbow

for Girls in North Carolina, Christy Blankenship delivered the following message:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished East, Masons and friends:

Good afternoon! I am honored that you have asked me back again this year to speak about an organization that I have been a part of for over half of my life: the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. I bring you greetings on behalf of the Rainbow membership of North Carolina.

Like most stories involving Rainbows, ours begins something like this: Once upon a time, a long, long time ago a man by the name of W. Mark Sexson, who was a master Mason in Oklahoma, had been studying and observing the DeMolay during his Masonic activities. He soon recognized the need to establish an Order for girls through which they may also learn some of the truths of Masonry. So, he approached the members of an Eastern Star chapter in McAlester with this idea and they agreed to take on that responsibility and within 24 hours the first ritual of the Order of Rainbow for Girls was complete. On April 6, 1922 one hundred seventy-one girls became the first to receive the degrees of our Order at the Scottish Rite Temple in McAlester, Oklahoma. This year brings our 77th anniversary and I am proud to say that Rainbow remains an active part of the Masonic family in 46 of the 50 United States of America, and also in over 15 foreign countries, including Australia, Brazil, the Philippines, Germany, Canada, and Japan!

We are a character building organization for girls between the ages of 11 and 20. The seven degrees of our Order are based on the seven colors of the rainbow; red for love of home and family, orange to emphasize the importance of active church participation in your religion, yellow to represent the power of nature, green to remind us that we are immortal and will live forever, blue represents fidelity and reminds us to always be true to each other and to ourselves, indigo represents patriotism: love of country and respect for laws, violet represents service to humanity and is the foundation upon which our order is based. Through active participation our members learn effective communication, leadership skills, the art of public speaking, and the importance of proper etiquette.

We feel that all girls should be able to benefit from the love and support of a Masonic family. That is why we do not restrict our membership to only those girls with Masonic backgrounds. By allowing friends of Rainbow girls to join our Order we are able to reach out to those who otherwise would not be able to participate in our Masonic family. This helps both of our organizations to grow. I have known more than one Rainbow girl whose friendly persuasion has recruited a Mason or two. In fact, I heard a story here last year that there was a Rainbow girl who refused to marry her fiancé until he became a Mason. I have seen girls recruit their fathers, brothers, uncles, and husbands just as you all recruit your daughters, granddaughters, nieces.

Rainbow girls meet twice a month. If there is a Rainbow Assembly in your area, I highly recommend that you attend some time. Our degree work is absolutely beautiful and we love our Masons. Just a bit of advice: be prepared to get lots of hugs. If you don't have an assembly in your area, you're missing out. Don't lose the chance to help build and mold the leaders of tomorrow. If you don't take this chance, someone else will. I much prefer our teachings to those that some girls get on the street. Don't let some girl miss out on the teachings of the Masonic family just because there is not an Assembly in her area. The girls are out there, but we need strong adult leadership to help pave the way for our growth. If we work together as a team, there is no limit to how far we may go.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you all to attend our Grand

Assembly "Session of Wisdom & Light" at the North Raleigh Hilton on June 27-29. Come find out what the world of North Carolina Rainbow has been up to for the past year and see what's in store for the next one. Thank you once again for asking me to speak today.

Amanda Hatfield, Junior Miss Job's Daughter of the Carolinas, delivered the following address:

Most Worshipful Grand Master Gregory, Deputy Grand Master Ingram, Distinguished Officers and East:

Good Afternoon. On behalf of the Jurisdiction of the Carolinas, thank you for allowing me to speak this afternoon as a representative of Job's Daughters. It is truly an honor for me to tell about the organization that has done so much in my life and the lives of countless others.

Job's Daughters was founded by Mrs. Ethel T. Wead Mick in 1920, in the city of Omaha, Nebraska. Mother Mick wanted an organization for girls related to Master Masons that would teach virtues to shape their lives for years to come. Accordingly, with the support of the Grand Master of Masons of Nebraska and the Grand Matron of the Nebraska Eastern Star, Job's Daughters was founded in the hope that it would be such an organization.

Our ritual is divided into three epochs. It is based upon the Biblical Book of Job, with special reference given to the 42nd chapter, 15th verse, which states:

"And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job, and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren." To this a motto was added, stating "Virtue is a quality which highly adorns women."

The story of the trials of Job continually emphasizes that throughout our lives we will be confronted with hardships that must be overcome. Through our ritual, we are reminded of the responsibilities we have to God, our country, our family, the order itself and each other. Job's Daughters also takes the form of a service organization, as we try to make a difference in our community. Projects that aid the less fortunate help others as much as they impress us with the significance of our work.

All members of Job's Daughters are expected to meet twice a month, in a room referred to as the Bethel, or holy place. This term is also used to refer to the group of girls themselves. Our regalia is the long Grecian robe. It is white, to symbolize purity, and worn by all officers and choir members to promote a feeling of equality. The presiding officer, who holds the title Honored Queen, and the Junior and Senior Princesses wear purple capes and crowns with their robes to indicate their royalty and high office. There are five line offices in total, which hold the names Honored Queen, Senior Princess, Junior Princess, Guide, and Marshal. A full Bethel would also include 14 floor offices and a choir.

Job's Daughters has an international philanthropic project, which we call HIKE, or Hearing Impaired Kids Endowment fund. Every six months, each Bethel has a HIKE to raise money for our International HIKE project. In our Jurisdiction, the Jurisdictional Bethel Honored Queen plans a project for her year in office. All monies raised are used to purchase hearing aids or equipment for needy deaf children. Just last year, the jurisdiction was able to present a hearing aid to a little girl who had never been able to hear properly. This might not have happened without the support of our order.

Today, Job's Daughters has grown to hundreds of Bethels in the United States, Canada, Brazil, Australia, and the Philippines. The jurisdiction of the Carolinas, though only two years old, has accomplished quite a lot, mostly due to the extensive work and unfaltering support of our adult

guardian councils. Without them, Job's Daughters in the Carolinas could not have accomplished so much in so little time.

Our Jurisdiction has four Bethels, which are in Jacksonville, Raleigh, and New Bern, North Carolina, and North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Bethels in Greensboro and Winston-Salem are eagerly anticipated for the next two years.

Also on a Jurisdictional level, there is a Jurisdictional Honored Queen, a Miss, and a Junior Miss. These Daughters must compete for their titles at a yearly pageant. Contestants must take oral and written exams, have personal interviews, and undergo a regalia inspection. In addition to basic leadership of the Carolina Bethels, these daughters visit other Masonic groups to promote a sense of family and tell about the many aspects of our Order.

Job's Daughters could not exist without the support of our Masonic groups. We have a special link to Freemasonry, for all of our members must be a direct descendant of a Master Mason. A belief in a Supreme Being and being a descendant of a Master Mason are our only requirements. It is not as hard to find proper Masonic relationship as one might think. If anyone here present has a daughter, stepdaughter, granddaughter, step granddaughter, sister, half-sister, sister-in-law, niece, grand niece, or first or second cousin between the ages of 11 and 20, then consider telling her about Job's Daughters. It could end up meaning more to her than one could ever imagine. If there is not a Bethel in your area, we would love to institute one, but we can not do it all by ourselves. Masonic support is critical to our growth and ultimate future.

All Masonic youth will one day be grown, and then it will be our turn to carry on the work that was started when we were young. Organizations such as DeMolay, Job's Daughters, and Rainbow for Girls will give us the training necessary to carry on the legacy of Masonry for generations to come.

Thank you.

Past Grand Master of DeMolay International, State Executive Officer for DeMolay, E. John Elmore introduced State Master Councilor, Order of DeMolay, Mr. Nathan Shores, who delivered the following address:

Brother and Most Worshipful Grand Master Gregory, Deputy Grand Master Ingram, Grand Lodge officers, worshipful masters, distinguished guests, and members all:

GOOD AFTERNOON! As Dad Elmore said my name is Nathan Shores. I'm a senior at West Rowan High School. Next year I will be attending Campbell University. My home is in Salisbury. While I am on the topic of Salisbury, I would like to personally thank the 44th Masonic District for all the support that they have given to my chapter, the Rowan DeMolay Chapter, and to myself. It is indeed an honor to stand before you today as a DeMolay and a member of the Masonic Family.

First, let me tell you a little about my fraternity, The Order of DeMolay. Our organization began in 1919 when a fatherless young boy by the name of Louis Lowery, he was befriended by the secretary of the Scottish Rite Temple, Dad Frank S. Land, in Kansas City, Missouri. They decided to start a club for young men, and thus began the Order of DeMolay. An editor by the name of Frank Marshall was asked to write the ritual for these young men. The mother chapter grew rapidly and decided to share its opportunities with other young men in other cities and states. It's first initiatory class inducted over 700 new members. What a beginning. Today, DeMolay boasts

of a membership of over a million young men and has become an international organization. This is another example of how the Masonic Family reaches out to others in need.

Last year in Raleigh, my brother addressed the Grand Lodge as our State Master Councilor. His topic was on the Masonic Family. I plan to touch on this same topic this afternoon. First, let me share a true story with you. A story about someone who I have watched grow into a young man. This young, small, shy, and a timid first grade student was having difficulty learning to read. His parents spotted this problem right away, and shared it with his teacher. They requested that testing be done in order to see if he had a learning disabilities. After a long period of time, this student was tested. The school psychologist announced that the results of the test indicated that this young person had dyslexia. However, in the same breath, she stated that the school system did not recognize dyslexia, as a learning disability, and did not recommend any changes in the students educational program. If you are a member of the Scottish Rite Body, you know about this learning disability along with the problems people have associated with it. The child's parents were not satisfied with the school's psychologist's diagnosis. That was when the child's father contacted the Scottish Rite Temple's Learning Center here in Charlotte. He shared the test results with a staff member, and later delivered the test results to them. It was no time at all when this young student's father received a call from the Scottish Rite Temple stating that they wanted the father to take this student to Appalachian State University in Boone, NC to their testing and learning center for further test. The student was diagnosed with dyslexia. Following two visits to the center, the staff designed an educational program for this young student to carry back to his home school. During the students elementary school years, he was ridiculed and made fun of. He was called everything from retarded—to stupid and dumb. His self esteem was extremely low. However, his parents continued to support him. They always said, "you can do anything in this world if you want it bad enough, and are willing to work for it." Towards the final years of elementary school the student told his parents that he did not want to attend his special E. C. Class due to the ridicule and embarrassment that he suffered. Yet, his parents insisted and encouraged him through his later years in elementary school. That young student finally reached the tough years of Middle School. His parents continued to support him, yet fearing the worst. To everyone's surprise, those were some of the best years for the student. Something clicked! The student was placed on the A-B Honor Roll his 6th, 7th, and 8th grade years. His 8th grade football team won the divisional championship, and he was named the most valuable player. Suddenly everyone treated him with respect, as an equal, and as one of the most popular students at the school.

Following those years, he entered high school. During his years at high school he found joy in learning. He continues to be an honor roll student, scholar athlete, a member of the cross country team, indoor and outdoor track teams, swimming team, and a member of the Order of DeMolay. This student had a dream of graduating from high school within three years and furthering his education as a business law major. Today, this student is realizing those dreams. He will graduate from high school after attending school both day and night, and has been accepted into one of North Carolina's prestigious law universities. Yet, this young student's struggles and accomplishments are not fictitious. They are real, because I am that young student that I have been sharing with you.

I stand here before you today as the state master councilor of the great state of North Carolina. I want to thank each of you, the members of the Masonic family for your hard work in helping the widows, orphans, and people in need. If it had not been for your efforts, I may not have had this

opportunity to address this body of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. You have opened doors for me that otherwise would have never been opened. So from the bottom of my heart, and from the hearts of the thousands of others whom you have helped, THANK YOU! I look forward to obtaining the age of 21, because I am going to ask my father for a petition to the Masonic Lodge. What more noble and honorable organization could any man belong to.

I would like to leave you with a quote from the late great President Theodore Roosevelt. "Try not to become someone of success, but rather to become someone who is proud and loyal." Gentlemen, thank you for providing me this and many other opportunities! Again, THANK YOU and GOD BLESS!

Called From Refreshment to Labor

Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory called the communication from refreshment to labor.

Award Presented to Buster Babb

(Docket No. 33)

Brother Buster Babb of Cowpens, South Carolina is certainly the most traveled Mason in the Southeast, perhaps in the world, having visited more than 900 lodges around the world. Many of those visits have been in North Carolina, where he has become a favorite of our visitors. He is a frequent phone visitor to the Grand Lodge office.

Babb delivered a message of Masonic Brotherly Love to the assembly.

At the conclusion of his remarks he was presented the Ornerly Member Award on behalf of the Grand Lodge staff. The award is a tongue-in-cheek, fun recognition presented to a few who are held in great affection by the Grand Lodge staff members.

Report of The Committee On Necrology

(Docket No. 34)

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

As we gather at another Grand Lodge Communication, we come together to memorialize 1,492 Brothers who have answered the ultimate call of the Great Architect of the Universe. The Great Light of Masonry tells us that God knew them before He created them in their mothers' wombs. Jeremiah 1.5. Before these Brothers were ours, they were known by God. They were His, and now they have returned to the God who gave them life.

It is a painful experience to say good bye to our Brothers. Some of these Brothers were the ones who signed our petitions; some of these Brothers were the ones who voted on our petitions; some of these Brothers conducted us through the degrees, and some of these Brothers coached us through our catechisms. These Brothers have been the officers of our Lodges. They have been delegates to Grand Lodge, and have served us as Grand Lodge officers. Many of us ask today how can we get along without these Brothers, and in reality we must realize that we cannot replace these Brothers. They are gone from us, and will not return. We must learn to live without them, but we must learn to allow their lives to continue to inspire us in all our Masonic workings.

As men, we have a natural tendency to believe that we will always be here, but the truth of the matter is, we are going to die. We would do well to remember that fact. Because our lives are finite, the work we do here on this earth takes on unique, important meaning. As Masons, we must work

as the old hymn says: "For the night is coming when man's work is done." As Masons, we must do our work in such a way as these Brothers have done before us that we will, like them, influence those around us, so the Brothers around us will see our good deeds and emulate them.

I am a Mason today because of the good, exemplary lives of Masons I have known. Many of them who have influenced me have answered God's final call on their lives and rest from their labors. These Masons influenced me by their good deeds, and also how they faced death with courage and faith.

1999 is the bicentennial of the death of the most illustrious American Mason, George Washington. Brother Washington was described by "Light Horse" Harry Lee (the father of General Robert E. Lee) as: "First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen." He has also been first in the hearts of his fellow Masons. His picture hangs in many of our lodges. George Washington showed his brother Masons how to live, and two hundred years ago he showed them how to die.

Early on the morning of December 12, 1799, General Washington no doubt was looking forward to a new century that would be dawning in a few short days much as we today look forward to a new century and a new millennium which very few people get to experience since it happens only every thousand years. General Washington was not to live to see the new century. His time to answer the call to duty in God's celestial lodge had come. That morning, General Washington wrote a letter to Alexander Hamilton in which he expressed hope that Congress would establish a military academy to train the nation's military leaders. This was the beginning of the Military Academy at West Point.

Then at 10:00 A.M., he left for a horseback ride about his property. The weather suddenly changed. A Northeaster brought snow, sleet, and finally a cold steady rain which changed back to snow, and left three inches of snow on the ground. The General spent five hours in this weather. The next day, he had a sore throat, but he went out to mark some trees for cutting. That evening, he was noticed to be hoarse. He was urged to take something for the cold, but he declined as was his custom.

Between 2 and 3 A.M. on the morning of December 14, he awoke Martha, his beloved wife, to inform her he was ill. He was having difficulty breathing, and he could hardly speak. The next morning doctors were summoned. As was the medical custom, General Washington had a servant bleed him. Even though ill, Washington insisted on getting up. He was dressed, and spent two hours sitting up by the fireplace in his room. Upon arrival of a physician, he was bled again, and then a third time. Upon the arrival of another physician, he was bled a fourth time. About 4:30 P.M., the General had his wife to go to his study and bring him two wills. He looked at both, gave one to Martha, and told her to burn it which she did. Believing his illness to be fatal, he gave instructions for the settling of his accounts. In his last hours, General Washington was concerned about his loved ones, and some of his last acts provided for them.

He was able to sit up in a chair for half an hour that afternoon. On being put back to bed, he said to his doctors: "I feel myself going. I thank you for your attention. You had better not take any more trouble about me; but let me go off quietly; I cannot last long." At 10:00 P.M., he said, "I am just going." His last words were, "'Tis well." Washington took his hand, and placed it on his pulse. After he finished his count, he released his hand. When the doctor took it, there was no pulse. When Martha was told he was gone, she said, "'Tis well." (This account was taken from Volume Seven of Douglas Southall Freeman's biography of George Washington.)

As men and more especially as Masons, the last work our earthly temple

must do is like George Washington, show our fellow brothers how to die. When it comes our time to die, we should face our end with concern for our loved ones, and the courage shown by that great Mason, George Washington. At the end of our lives, we should be able to say along with him, "Tis well."

Respectfully submitted,
Jimmy Laird Myers, Chairman
Committee on Necrology
Master, Farmington Lodge 265

**Jimmy Brewer***Grand Master 1961*

Born: January 23, 1912 Died: January 30, 1999

James Woodrow Brewer

Eulogy delivered by Clifton W. Everette, PM, Grand Treasurer

I have been signally honored to give the eulogy and tribute of the Grand Lodge and of this Grand Jurisdiction at the passing of our distinguished brother, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master James Woodrow Brewer. For you see, I literally knew Jimmy, as he preferred his friends to call him, all of my life. His mother and my grandmother were sisters. He was, according to the punch line of a story I liked to tell when I was grand master, "some of my folks". To me, and I know to the countless Masons across this Grand Jurisdiction, no more fitting tribute could be given than to apply to him the words applied by Cicero to the great Roman leader and scholar, Scipio:

"For me, indeed although he has been suddenly snatched away, nevertheless he still lives and will always live; for it was his valor and virtue that I loved, and these are not dead. These qualities are not visible to me alone, but will be things of glory and note to succeeding generations. No one will ever bravely and hopefully undertake the important matters of life without thinking that he should set before himself as an example the memory and image of that illustrious man."

Cicero, *De Amicitia*

The passing of Most Worshipful Brother Jimmy Brewer has carried to nearly everyone in the state a sense of personal loss. It is shocking and hard to realize that only last year he stood among us here at the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge and spoke to us of his love for Masonry and his fellow Masons and that we will see his gentle spirit among us no more. Honorable in everything and trustworthy to the last notch, the simplicity and naturalness of his goodwill drew to him everyone who came in contact with him.

Jimmy Brewer was born in the heart of Bethel, North Carolina, on January 23, 1912, the son of Warren L. Brewer and Mary Worsley Brewer. His father was Chief of Police in Bethel and later when the family moved to Greenville, he became Chief of Police there. As one of six children, Jimmy learned at an early age the value of work and he often told me of how he would follow the tobacco trucks through town, picking up tobacco leaves that had fallen to the ground and when he had accumulated enough, bundle them up and sell the tobacco at the local warehouse. Later, Jimmy developed his own paper route and rose at 3:00 each morning to meet the train delivering the papers from Raleigh — deliver the papers — and then return to Diener's Bakery where he would sleep next to the ovens and eat freshly baked raisin and cinnamon rolls until it was time for him to go to school. This strong work ethic would remain with Jimmy for the rest of his life and those of us here today who knew him well could still see it right up until the last weeks of his life.

Jimmy fell in love with and married his high school sweetheart, Louise Clark, who survives, and they are the parents of two daughters, Ann Bennett and Judy Bright, and a son, James Clark Brewer. I think of all his many accomplishments, Jimmy was the most proud of his family. There was nothing he would not attempt to provide and this love and affection was returned to him ten-fold.

Aside from his family, Jimmy loved his church, his Masonry, his community, his fellowman, and his friends — though as some would say, not necessarily in that order.

A strong and active Methodist, Jimmy held almost every lay position at Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church in Greenville, North Carolina. I served on the finance committee with him and he handled the church's money just like he did his — not a penny was wasted. Always in the forefront of any fundraising campaign, Jimmy was relentless in his pursuit of

contributions. His often heard advice on solicitation was, "Never send a ten dollar man to see a hundred dollar man." He carried this same drive and determination in his numerous efforts to collect funds for our Masonic charities. The Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro was especially one of his favorites and he chaired our lodge drive for that home from the time I became a member until the last year of his life. A casual review of the contribution record for Crown Point Lodge No. 708 will attest to his tenacity. One just could not say NO to Jimmy.

Jimmy's Masonic career resembles that of a starry decked canopy. His accomplishments are far too numerous to mention: Master of Greenville Lodge No. 284; Charter Member of Crown Point Lodge No. 708; District Deputy Grand Master; Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of North Carolina; Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge; organizer and first Captain of Sudan Provost Guard; Potentate of Sudan Temple AAONMS; Thirty-Third Degree Inspector General Honorary of the Scottish Rite; numerous York Rite bodies and countless honorary memberships in lodges all across North Carolina. Jimmy had probably the longest attendance record at the Conference of Grand Masters of North America of any Mason, and was so recognized by the Conference in Tulsa Oklahoma two years before his death. Because I know Jimmy would not want me to continue in this vein and because his Masonic accomplishments are spread across more than 60 years, I will not continue. Needless to say, for a man of small physical stature, his giant shadow spreads across this entire jurisdiction.

For me, and for those of you who knew Jimmy really well, it was Jimmy's love for his friends and his fellow man, exhibited through acts done in his community, that really marked him as a man and a Mason. Although outwardly appearing frugal in his personal habits, Jimmy was exceedingly generous with his personal resources to those who had suffered financial reverses or who were down and out on their luck. I personally know of several individuals Jimmy befriended both financially and in other ways when they had no where else to turn. He sought no limelight or recognition. His untiring efforts as chairman and longtime member of the Salvation Army Board in Greenville was a labor of love. His sheer determination and driving force helped the local organization through many a tough financial crunch. He virtually organized, arranged, and singlehandedly sought the financial underwriting of the large Salvation Army dinner each year where members of the community were recognized and thanked for their support. It was an amazing feat.

To Jimmy, however, his friends both Masonic and non-Masonic, were his greatest asset. He would often tell me that friends were the greatest thing a man could have — you could not buy them or sell them. Jimmy had them by the thousands. At the time of his death he was probably as well known as any Mason in North Carolina — or outside, for that matter. He had been on a first name basis with Will Rogers, Harry Truman, Norman Vincent Peale, Danny Thomas, Ernest Borgnine, Mel Blanc, Senators Sam Ervin and Everett Jordan, Governor Jim Martin and his close friend, Senator Jesse Helms (who he always referred to as "The Senator"). Not only were these luminaries his friends, but Jimmy had countless others all across this country. He stood on no formality, nor did he stand above any of us. He always prided himself on being a blue lodge Mason. I think he understood the thinking of the local lodges with respect to their relationship with the Grand Lodge in Raleigh as well as anyone I have known. He never attempted to be bigger than he was; nor did he ever attempt to extend his office beyond the limits set forth in *The Code*. At the time of his death on January 30, 1999, he was probably the most beloved Masonic figure in this state. The large number of Masons and others who attended his funeral on February 1 at Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church in Greenville

attest to this fact. Jimmy was always in a hurry, but he surely did not want to leave us. The torrid pace with which he did everything was just his nature. As Reverend and Dr. James H. Bailey, former grand chaplain, said in his eulogy that day, Jimmy embraced the ice cream philosophy of life — it was so sweet, but it had to be taken fast or it would be gone. What an apt characterization of Jimmy.

Early in the First Degree we are told that "to be good men and true is the first lesson we are taught in Masonry." An earlier characterization is certainly applicable here. Jimmy Brewer ever remembered this first lesson, for he lived that kind of life. He was a good friend, a wise counselor, one to whom a friend could go in time of trouble. He was gentle, kind and considerate, but firm when need be. To see him and to be with him made one feel better. He was loyal and exuded friendliness and friendship. His Brethren trusted him, because he was trustworthy; he was a friend in whose fidelity one could with confidence rely. He was great because he was good; he was strong because he wore the armor of righteousness; but all without ostentation, for he dwelt in the valley of humility, which by reason of his sincerity became a mountain. Where he stood there is an emptiness against the sky.

Ah, Jimmy, we are not soon to see your like again.



Thomas Warren Gregory
Grand Master Presiding

Report of The Grand Master

(Docket No. 35)

Most Worshipful Brother Thomas W. Gregory, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, delivered the following report, which was referred to the Board of General Purposes (See also Docket No. 40 of these *Proceedings* for distribution of this report.)

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Brethren:

It is a privilege for me to welcome each of you to the Two Hundred and Twelfth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of North Carolina.

Those of you who are here to represent your lodge as a delegate and thereby serve as a voting member of this Grand Lodge bear an additional responsibility. I hope you will prayerfully consider all the matters that will come before this Grand Body.

I want to extend a warm welcome to our visitors representing other grand jurisdictions and the appendant bodies of our organization. We are very happy to have you visit with us, and we hope your stay will be an enjoyable one.

In compliance with the provision of *The Code*, of this Grand Lodge, I am required to make a report to you on my activities as Grand Master during the Masonic year of 1998-1999. It has been a great honor for me to serve as your Grand Master. I have tried to focus on the issues before us based upon the fundamentals of Freemasonry.

I am honored to make the following report.

Necrology

Since our last Annual Communication, we have had many of our beloved members depart this life to that undiscovered country, from whose bourne no traveler returns. We cherish their memory here and commend their spirit to God who gave it. We lost our beloved Past Grand Master, Jimmy Brewer this year. Jimmy was a Mason without peer and a friend to each of us. He will be missed but fondly remembered by all who knew him. The Committee on Necrology will conduct a memorial service during this Annual Communication in memory of these departed Brothers.

DDGM/DDGL Meeting

A meeting was held with the District Deputy Grand Masters and District Deputy Grand Lecturers at the Civic Center in Raleigh during the Two Hundred and Eleventh Communication of the Grand Lodge.

I explained my plan for the District Deputy Grand Masters to hold their own district meetings. I asked that these meetings be scheduled during the months of May and June in each district. I asked that the proposed amendments be discussed along with their plans for the implementation of "Program for Progress."

My theme for the year was "Promises to Keep", which stressed our promises to God, our houses of worship, our families, our fraternity, and our communities.

Area Meetings

A total of 14 area meetings were held across the state. The focus of my meetings was racism and racial divisiveness. I presented my thoughts on

Freemasonry and what it teaches us about our fellow man. I explained that Masonry was clearly not racist but that it taught the brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God, and that it was clearly tolerant, not intolerant. I spoke to the issues of Prince Hall recognition and the reception of regular Masons of color from other jurisdictions. I encouraged comments and questions as I felt it important that the membership express itself on these topics. My intent was to provide facts upon which our membership could base its decisions. The meetings were well attended and not without emotion.

In addition to these area meetings, I visited many lodges throughout the state. Some of these visits were announced, and some were not. I appreciate the kindness and hospitality I was shown in each lodge I visited. I met many fine men during my visits. I will not forget the words of encouragement I received from many of you.

Board Of Custodians

We have a dedicated group of Masons who comprise our Board of Custodians. They are custodians of the work. Freemasonry is certainly about more than its ritual, but it is our ritual that sets us apart from civic organizations and allows us to effectually communicate the age old tenets of brotherly love, relief, and truth. It is important that we remain proficient in our ritual work. Our Board of Custodians is a working board whose efforts are sometimes overlooked. We owe them a debt of gratitude for a job well done.

Masonic Education Committee

The Committee on Masonic Education, chaired by Bother Lewis Ledford has done an excellent job in bringing the facts to light concerning the topics of the day. Through correspondence with other grand jurisdictions and in concert with the Task Force on the Recognition of Prince Hall, this committee has provided our lodges with information necessary to make an informed decision on the proposed amendment to *The Code* concerning sovereignty.

The winter seminars organized by this committee offered our membership an opportunity to understand all the proposed amendments to *The Code*. This committee has been effective in its purpose this year, as it has provided the education we so desperately needed regarding these proposals.

North Carolina Masonic Development Program

The development program has been a great success for the Lodges of North Carolina. The program continues to pay dividends and is the primary reason that donations to our charities continue to rise despite a loss in membership. I can think of no Grand Lodge initiative that has shown any more positive results. It is often said that our organization is not a charity. While I agree that is true, I know that good Masons are charitable, and that our willingness to help others in need is an important tenant of our Craft.

Jim Medlin, our development director, does an outstanding job for the Masons of North Carolina. He is available to help any lodge with its fund raising program—give him a call.

Joseph Montfort Medals

A Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina may present three Joseph Montfort Medals to deserving Masons. I decided some years ago that if I were elected Grand Master, that these awards would go to members who were hard working Blue Lodge Masons—men who were

ritualists, coaches, active in every aspect of our Fraternity. I've enjoyed the opportunity to recognize three of the best of our members in this manner. I had the high honor of presenting the first medal to Dwight Blackburn, Past Master of Trap Hill Lodge No. 483. Brother Blackburn is a stalwart in his district—constantly visiting and helping lodges with their ritual. The "Colonel" as he is affectionately called, is as good as they come.

The second recipient was William Meacham, Past Master of Keller Memorial Lodge No. 657 in Rockwell. Brother Meacham is a Mason's Mason. He has coached numbers of candidates and has served his district as DDGM. The brethren of Rowan County will attest to the fact that there just isn't any better, more dedicated Mason than Brother Bill.

I will be presenting the last medal at our Annual Communication.

Physical Disabilities

During the year, I was requested to approve waivers of physical disabilities for a number of petitioners for the degrees in Masonry. In each case, the District Deputy Grand Master of the District in which the petition was received made a personal investigation of the petitioner and reported to me. I wish to commend each of them for the prompt and efficient manner in which they handled these investigations. Based upon the reports and recommendations received, I approved the waiver of physical disability for 14 petitioners.

Dispensations Granted

At the time this report was being prepared, I had granted twenty-nine dispensations. These dispensations had been granted to accomplish the following purposes:

Thirteen dispensations were granted to elect officers and fill lodge vacancies created by death, resignation, or failure to elect in December.

Three dispensations were granted for visitation with subordinate lodges in other Grand Jurisdictions.

One dispensation was granted for out-of-state visitation in our subordinate lodge.

Eleven dispensations were granted to permit lodges to hold meetings other than at the regular meeting place.

One dispensation was granted for the purpose of a lodge holding meetings while the charter was being refurbished.

For the Grand Master's Orders and Grand Lodge's action, see Report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, Docket No. 48.

Honorary Title Of Past District Deputy Grand Master

I recommend that the honorary title of Past District Deputy Grand Master be granted to the following brethren, each of whom is both qualified and eligible under the provisions of Regulation 11-4.2 of *The Code*.

Name	Lodge	District	Yrs. Served	Total Yrs.
Leroy W. Powers	463	1	1997-99	3
Garland L. Lewis	300	6	1997-99	3
Howard Kahn	680	9	1997-99	3
Edward A. Gaskins Jr.	319	10	1997-99	3
Thomas W. Tew	379	15	1997-99	3
Robert S. Flowers	602	18	1997-99	3
Johnny Reynolds	418	19	1997-99	3
W. G. Arnold	683	23	1997-99	3

Larry S. McPhail	730	29	1997-99	3
W. Harold Keith Jr.	499	33	1997-99	3
Stanley L. Allen	129	35	1997-99	3
James S. Porter	746	36	1997-99	3
Dennis L. Cook	64	39	1997-99	3
Daniel S. Hartis	695	43	1997-99	3
Johnny R. Poplin Jr.	390	47	1997-99	3
John A. Harrison	162	48	1997-99	3
William H. Keenum	668	55	1997-99	3
William P. Clark	489	58	1997-99	3

The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

If you want to see a North Carolina Mason swell with pride, take him to the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford. Many of you have never visited either of our homes. I encourage you to visit both—it will make you a better Mason.

Our Home for Children is a place where love abounds—a place where Masonry is in action. I've never felt prouder to be a Mason than during the years I've served on the Board of Directors at the Home for Children. We are providing children in need with a safe haven—a place where they are loved and nurtured, some for the first time in their lives.

Our staff at the Home is outstanding. They are skilled professionals who are doing what they do because of their love for children. They could all be better compensated in another line of work, but they choose a labor of love. We owe each of them a debt of gratitude.

Rev. David Grissom is to be commended for a job well done. His effectiveness as an example and a mentor to our children is unquestioned. To the Board of Directors—thank you—your hours of dedication have made a positive difference this year. The future is bright for our Home at Oxford and for our children who live there.

Masonic and Eastern Star Home

This has been a year of fulfillment at our Home in Greensboro. After many years of planning and decision—making, the new care center is under construction and taking shape. Completion of this project will occur in 1999. The Masons and members of the Order of the Eastern Star can be proud of the results. We will have a state-of-the-art care center—a facility that will provide needed services for our elderly members, and for many of us.

None of this would have been accomplished without the leadership and administrative skills of our administrator, John Rose. John is like the young standard bearer who in the heat of battle moved ahead of his advancing line. The commanding officer shouted, "Bring the standard back to the line." In response, the young standard bearer shouted, "Bring the line up to standard." John Rose has brought us to where we are with our Care Center. Although this project has required the efforts and commitment of any number of Board members, worthy grand matrons, and grand masters, it would simply not have happened without the "nudging" and encouragement from our administrator.

I encourage each of you to visit our Home in Greensboro—many of you have never darkened the door of either of our Homes. I don't think you're a real Mason until you see the fruits of your labor, until you see what your Masonic forefathers have done for those who need our help.

The staff at our Greensboro Home is outstanding. The residents are resolute in their praise for our staff. When you visit, ask a resident how they

like the Home. They will tell you they are made to feel like members of a family—they feel loved.

V. A. Hospitals

I was honored to visit the V. A. Hospitals at Asheville and Fayetteville during my term as grand master. The Masonic Service Association volunteers are dedicated men and women who give thousands of hours of service to these hospitals. This is an outstanding program that we Masons sometimes overlook. These MSA volunteers serve the veterans who receive treatment at these hospitals. They visit veterans who in many cases have no other visitors. Their work is at the heart of Masonry. Their love for their fellow man knows no bounds—they are there to help anyone who needs their help. They merit our support. I would encourage any Mason who wants to make a difference to consider serving as a hospital volunteer.

World Masonic Conference

The third World Masonic Conference was held in New York City on May 1-3, 1998. The Grand Lodge of New York hosted the Conference and paid most of the conference expenses for attending Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries. This was the first time the conference met in the United States.

Walton T. Clapp III, grand secretary, and I attended the conference representing our Grand Lodge. The conference is in a state of development and the status and organization of the conference was discussed at length. Tom Jackson, grand secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, was elected to serve as conference secretary.

It was interesting to talk with Masons from throughout the world, and enlightening to understand that what we take for granted is often the exception in other countries. Many grand jurisdictions struggle under sanctions and economic uncertainty. We are indeed fortunate to live in this great country and enjoy the liberty to associate with like-minded men in the Fraternity called Masonry. We should never take these liberties for granted, as they can dissolve quickly where intolerance and fanaticism prevail.

I would recommend that our Grand Lodge continue some involvement in the World Conference and as representatives can attend at their own expense, maintain participation. The 1999 conference is in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Southeastern Masonic Conference

The Southeastern Masonic Conference was held July 6-8 in Louisville, Kentucky. I was joined at the conference by T. Walton Clapp III, grand secretary, and Clifton W. Everett Jr., grand treasurer.

Many of the conference topics were well worn. The topics of membership, community involvement, and charity were discussed as they were presented by conference members from the various grand lines. I had the honor of presenting a paper entitled "Ancient Freemasonry in a Modern Age" The presentation emphasized that although we are prone to think of our Fraternity as unchanging, in actuality, the organization has undergone drastic change since 1717. I used a story about a fictitious Freemason named Artemis whose Lodge conferred all the degrees at that time two in one evening and there was no catechism or standard of the work. Alcohol was served before and after the meeting and solicitation for membership was permitted. This is not to say that I advocate these so-called modern innovations—I just wanted to point out that there is really seldom anything new under the sun.

The Southeastern Masonic Conference is enjoyable to attend, and the conversations with Brethren from other states are interesting. I feel we

should continue to participate as long as our financial situation will permit.

Conference of Grand Masters in North America

The Conference of Grand Masters in North America was held in Honolulu, Hawaii on February 21-23, 1999. I was joined at the conference by William L. Mills III, junior grand warden; William G. Mathis, senior grand deacon; and Phillip Keller, grand tyler.

Due to the distance involved, and the costs associated with travel to Hawaii, the participants paid their own travel expenses to the conference. It was a very enjoyable trip and as is the case with many conferences, the communication with other grand lodge representatives was more enlightening than the conference program. The conference agenda included presentations on one-day classes, Masonic renewal, member retention, proficiency requirements, youth organizations, and the cost of Masonry. The practices of shortening proficiency requirements, holding one-day classes, and using more overt means of procuring candidates is meeting with some popularity among many of the grand lodges in North America. Much of the conference was devoted to success stories from the jurisdictions that have adopted these methods of making Masons.

There was considerable conversation concerning the vendors present at the conference and the possible establishment of a vendor fair. I am concerned about the involvement of vendor funds in the social activities of the conference. I would recommend that we continue to be active in the conference, and would encourage all line officers to attend the 2000 conference to be held in Savannah, Georgia.

Visitations

Among the meetings where I was invited to speak or bring fraternal greetings, were the York Rite Summer Assembly, the Western Carolina Shrine Ceremonial, the DeMolay Grand Masters Class, the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Order of Rainbow for Girls.

The Grand Lodge officers were privileged to confer the first section of the Master Mason's Degree in Waynesville, Statesville, Buxton, and Wilmington. In addition, with the help of William H. Simpson and Stokesdale Lodge No. 428, the Grand Lodge officers traveled to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia, and conferred the Master Mason's Degree on some NC brothers. After the degree, I had the honor of participating in a window dedication to H. Lloyd Wilkerson, SGIG of North Carolina. Many North Carolina Masons were present for this special dedication to an outstanding leader of men. What an experience for a Statesville boy to sit in the East in that historic lodge room and confer a degree—we had a great weekend.

I had the honor of presenting numerous service awards throughout the year, and enjoyed many banquets, ladies nights, and open houses. One of the great pleasures in serving as grand master is the hospitality shown by lodges upon visitation. I am deeply thankful for the kindness I was shown and humbled by the respect the office of grand master holds in the hearts of our membership.

Grand Lodge Office

Any business person knows that in order to be successful, you had best focus on your customer. Our Grand Lodge staff continues to be responsive to the needs of our membership. We are blessed with experienced staff who have a sense of urgency in dealing with the questions and problems that arise daily across our Grand Jurisdiction. Joyce Watson and Cornelia

Doherty are well known by Masons from across our state and nation. They have forgotten more about Masonry than most of us know. I am most appreciative of their help and support this year—they have made this grand master's year a bit easier.

Ric Carter is the editor of the prize winning *NC Mason* and assistant to our grand secretary. Everyone knows about Ric's journalistic ability, and anyone who has contacted him for help knows how responsive he is. But Ric Carter is a lot more than a skilled writer and assistant. He is a constant advocate of the lifeblood of our Fraternity—the membership. He never allows a board member, line officer, or grand master to forget their roots. Ric has provoked thought and discussion on issues that are integral to our tenets as Freemasons, and has been an important participant in our officers' meetings. We are indeed fortunate to have Ric Carter in our Grand Lodge office.

Walt Clapp, our grand secretary, has been great to work with these past twelve months. Although Walt's tenure as grand secretary is brief, his experience in the Grand Lodge office, and more importantly with the Masons of our great state is extensive. He is a very knowledgeable Mason and accomplished grand secretary. Walt is all about doing what's right—and what is best for the 59,000 Masons of North Carolina. He does not bend under pressure, and has the fortitude to hold the line on an important issue. I am proud to have gotten to know Walt, and count him a friend as well as a Brother.

State of the Craft

The general state of Freemasonry in our great state is good. In my opinion, North Carolina Masons are doing most things well, and although our membership is in decline, we are showing signs of continued progress. Our per capita charitable giving continues to increase and our lodges show more enthusiasm and community involvement than in previous years. We have a core of members who make a positive difference in their lodges, their houses of worship, and their communities.

My major disappointment is that we have a number of members who have no idea what Masonry is, and who in many cases fall short of what is expected of Masons. I have been astounded at the number of men we have in our organization who are filled with hate for their fellow man and who boast of an attitude that is clearly unmasonic. In the interest of gaining members, I'm afraid we have raised some men who are of poor character, and who would never have passed a ballot a few years ago. It is important that the good men in our Fraternity do everything in their power to maintain a quality membership—quantity without quality will destroy our Fraternity. Investigation committees must take their responsibilities seriously and only good men should enter our portals. We don't need more members—we need more Masons.

Recommendations

I recommend continued financial support for the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, the Masonic Service Association, the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, the Order of DeMolay, the Order of Rainbow for Girls, and Job's Daughters.

I recommend that the district deputy grand masters continue to hold their own district meetings and that their responsibilities continue to reflect the importance of their position as representative of the grand

master. They are the best ambassadors for our charities and for program implementation in this Grand Jurisdiction.

I recommend that consideration be given to holding our Annual Communication at various locations across our state. I think it would benefit our membership to see Annual Communications held in Wilmington, Asheville, Winston-Salem, Greenville, and other locations, in addition to Raleigh.

I recommend that the Board of Custodians study the process for certification of lecturers and give serious consideration to methods that do not require missing a day of work or traveling to central locations. I feel that the process is antiquated and in need of change to encourage young Masons to become certified. I feel that consideration should be given to a process that would allow the district deputy grand lecturer and one other certified lecturer to conduct the examination and forward the certification to the Board of Custodians. This would save money on travel expenses and meals, mailings, and the like. More importantly, it would be a more receptive process that would promote excellence in our ritual work.

Acknowledgments and Special Appreciation

I thank God for all the blessings I have enjoyed these past 12 months. I know that I am as ordinary an individual as has ever served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. I could not have conducted one Area meeting or accomplished anything positive this year without the support of our Grand Architect.

I thank my Brother John, who encouraged me to join DeMolay as a boy, and whose enthusiasm for the Fraternity led me to ask for a petition. If not for John's influence, my life would have been less rewarding and fulfilling.

I thank all the members of Statesville Lodge No. 27. They have supported me in the face of considerable criticism this year. Lesser men would have distanced themselves. Their friendship and loyalty humble me. Every man would like to have friends like Press Boyd, Douglas Caudle, Lewis Ledford, Heinrich Goettel, Ed Inman, Grover Lackey, Joe Link, Bobby Stewart, Terry Childress, Gerald Grant, Rick Matthews, Raymond Burnette, Chuck Bullings, David Hall, John Martin, and Lee Potter.

I thank my Brothers Phil and David Keller, who traveled with me on almost every trip and did most of the driving. David Keller, my friend, Brother, and college roommate passed away in February. I miss David and his intellect—he was a valued and trusted advisor. Phil Keller, David's brother, has hung in there this year. He has served as grand tyler, but more importantly as a grand friend and fishing partner. After April, we'll do a lot more fishing. I can't tell you how good it was to sit down in the car with a friend after some of the meetings across the state.

I thank the Grand Lodge officers for their participation and friendship. I wish them well as they progress in the line.

I want to thank my son Tommy and my daughter Kimberly. They have always been loving children who were never jealous of their father's involvement in Masonry. Like all children, their smiles can make all the difference to their dad. Although I have worked hard to insure that I prioritized my time as a parent first and made considerable effort to insure that my involvement in the lodge did not ever come before family, I have no doubt that my Masonic involvement took me away at times they might have needed me.

Finally, I thank the person I love most in this world, my wife Marilyn. I have been indeed fortunate to have such a supportive partner for the past

27 years. When this DeMolay from North Carolina married a Rainbow girl from New Jersey, I made the best move of my life. I thank her for all the wonderful years we have enjoyed together and for her love and support during this Masonic journey of ours.

Brethren, it's been a great honor, and I thank you for electing me as grand master. I have been proud to serve you this last year. When all is said and done, I've done my best, and done what I thought was best in the eyes of God and for our Fraternity. God bless us all, and may God continue to bless this gentle craft, this sacred band or society of friends and brothers—this thing called Masonry!

Respectfully submitted,
Tom W. Gregory
Grand Master

Report of The Board Of General Purposes On The Distribution of The Report of The Grand Master

(Docket No. 36)

The following report of the Board of General Purposes on the distribution of the Report of the Grand Master was read by Grand Secretary T. Walton Clapp III, entered on the record and unanimously adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of General Purposes in compliance with the provisions of *The Code*, has reviewed and carefully considered the report of Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Thomas W. Gregory in all of its details and submits this report:

We heartily congratulate the grand master, as reflected upon the performance of his activities.

The board recommends;

(1) That the parts of the Grand Master's Report that relate to orders and other legal matters, be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

(2) That the portions relative to matters of finance be referred to the Committee on Finance.

(3) That the portions concerning the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, respectively, be referred to the respective boards of those institutions.

(4) As provided in Regulation 11-4(2), we recommend the adoption of the honorary title of Past District Deputy Grand Master to those brethren contained in the Report of the Grand Master.

(5) That all other matters assigned without further specific reference to the committee or commissions which should properly consider them.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles W. Ingram, Deputy Grand Master
Charles E. Cathey, Senior Grand Warden
William L. Mills III, Junior Grand Warden
Clifton W. Everett Jr., Grand Treasurer
T. Walton Clapp III, Grand Secretary
William B. Brunk, PGM
Lee G. Rumley, PM
Donald E. Floyd, PM
Larry P. Pittman, PM

H. Lloyd Wilkerson, PM
Lewis R. Ledford, PM

Presentation of Plaque

(Docket No. 37)

L. R. "Pete" Thomas, past grand master and representative to the Masonic Service Association, presented a plaque to Grand Master Thoms W. Gregory thanking him for his promotion and support of The Masonic Service Association of North America and its programs.

Presentation of Plaque by the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association

(Docket No. 38)

Frank R. Dunaway Jr., member of the board of directors of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association presented a plaque to Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory for his promotion and support of its programs.

Presentation of Gift

(Docket No. 39)

Jules S. Tepper, senior grand deacon of the District of Columbia presented a wrapped gift to Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory.

Report of the Committee On Appeals

(Docket No. 40)

The following report of the Committee on Appeals was read by Chairman Earle R. Purser and upon motion duly seconded, was adopted by sections then adopted as a whole.

The dispensation of each section is listed after each case. To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

1. We have reviewed the record on all cases which have been completed since the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in 1998 and now pending before the Committee wherein the accused has been expelled under the provisions of Regulations 99-22 of *The Code* of 1948; and in none of which the accused appealed from the decision of the Judge Advocate. We particularly directed our attention to the strict compliance with the Regulation, and in each of these cases recommend that the decision of the Judge Advocate be affirmed by the Grand Lodge.

a. Trial Docket No. 653: In the matter of charges preferred against BNH, a Master Mason, a member of Hollis Lodge No. 535, AF & AM, located in Bostic, North Carolina. This brother was expelled by the Judge Advocate on August 17, 1998.

The judgement was sustained.

b. Trial Docket No. 668: In the matter of charges preferred against RLH Jr., a Master Mason, a member of Kilwinning Lodge No. 84, AF & AM,

located in Wadesboro, North Carolina. This brother was expelled by the Judge Advocate on November 2, 1998.

The judgement was sustained.

c. Trial Docket No. 659: In the matter of charges preferred against RML, a Master Mason, a member of Mingo Lodge No. 206, AF & AM, located in Dunn, North Carolina. This brother was expelled by the Judge Advocate on November 16, 1998.

The judgement was sustained.

d. Trial Docket No. 670: In the matter of charges preferred against JBP, a Master Mason, a member of Goldsboro Lodge No. 634, AF & AM, located in Goldsboro, North Carolina. This brother was expelled by the Judge Advocate on December 7, 1998.

The judgement was sustained.

e. Trial Docket No. 671: In the matter of charges preferred against WJAC, a Master Mason, a member of Gaston Lodge No. 369, AF & AM, located in Gastonia, North Carolina. This brother was expelled by the Judge Advocate on December 7, 1998.

The judgement was sustained.

2. Trial Docket No. 662: In the matter of charges preferred against ESB, a Master Mason, a member of Junaluskee Lodge No. 145, AF & AM, located in Franklin, North Carolina. This member was tried on May 29, 1998 by a duly constituted trial commission. The charge was a violation of his Master Mason's obligation.

The Committee on Appeals feels that the evidence warrants the conclusion of the Trial Commission which expelled him; and the committee so recommends that the accused be expelled.

The brother was expelled.

3. Trial Docket No. No. 665: In the matter of charges preferred against ORG, a Master Mason, a member of St. John's Lodge No. 1, AF & AM, located at Wilmington, North Carolina. Four counts of un-Masonic conduct were preferred against this brother. A Trial Commission was convened and heard the evidence. The brother was found not guilty of two of the charges but was found guilty of the remaining two charges, namely, slandering a brother Master Mason and communicating a threat to do bodily harm.

The Trial Commission recommended that this brother be suspended for a period of one year from and after December 4, 1998. The Committee on Appeals recommend that the judgement of the Trial Commission be upheld.

The judgement was sustained.

4. Trial Docket No. 666: In the matter of charges preferred against DEF, a Master Mason, a member of St. John's Lodge No. 1, AF & AM, located in Wilmington, North Carolina. The Judge Advocate reviewed these charges and dismissed them on November 16, 1998, based on the evidence and at the request of the complainant.

The Committee on Appeals does hereby approved the actions of the Judge Advocate and recommends that the same be adopted.

Action of the Judge Advocate was approved.

5. Trial Docket No. 667: In the matter of charges preferred against NGH, a Master Mason, a member of St. John's Lodge No. 1, AF & AM, located in Wilmington, North Carolina. The Judge Advocate reviewed these charges and dismissed them on November 16, 1998, based on the evidence and at the request of the complainant.

The Committee on Appeals as reviewed the actions of the Judge Advocate and does hereby recommend approval of his actions.

Action of the Judge Advocate was approved.

6. Trial Docket No. 663: In the matter of charges preferred against RWA Jr., a Master Mason, a member of Pigeon River Lodge No. 386, AF & AM, located at Canton, North Carolina. This brother was tried by a duly constituted Trial Commission and was found not guilty on July 31, 1998. We recommend approval of the actions of this Trial Commission.

The complainant attempted to re-charge the accused in September, 1998. The Judge Advocate refused to entertain the charges and dismissed the same. The Committee on Appeals recommends approval of the action of the Judge Advocate.

Action of the Judge Advocate was approved.

7. On November 11, 1997, the Grand Master issued Order No. 12. In said order, the Most Worshipful Grand Master suspended three brethren from holding any lodge office for a period of five years from and after said date. Brother RSP appealed the order of the Grand Master.

The Committee on Appeals recommends approval of the Order of the Grand Master.

Action of the Grand Master approved.

8. There were three petitions for restoration submitted since our 1998 Annual Communication. The Committee on Appeals has reviewed these and makes the following recommendations:

a. Trial Docket No. 611: In the matter of MSU, a former member of Hiram Lodge No. 98, AF & AM, located in Clinton, North Carolina. The Petitioner was dismembered on July 9, 1993 by the Judge Advocate.

After having carefully considered the petition, the letters of recommendation and statements from his former lodge, this committee recommends restoration.

The petition was approved.

b. Trial Docket No. 633: In the matter of DST, a former member of Jefferson Penn Lodge No. 384, AF & AM, located in Reidsville, North Carolina. The Petitioner was dismembered by a Trial Commission on June 8, 1995.

The Committee on Appeals has carefully reviewed this file and recommends that the Petitioners request for reinstatement be denied.

This petition was denied.

c. Trial Docket No. 641: In the matter of charges preferred against JWT Sr., a former member of Jefferson Penn Lodge No. 384, AF & AM, located in Reidsville, North Carolina. The petitioner was dismembered by a duly constituted Trial Commission on April 9, 1996.

The Committee on Appeals carefully examined the file and the contents thereof and recommends that the Petition for restoration be approved.

This petition was approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Earle R. Purser
Richard G. Moore
Ricky T. Matthews
Forrest D. Ball
Thomas D. Haigwood

Report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations

(Docket No. 41)

The following report of the Committee on Charters and

dispensations was read by Grand Secretary T. Walton Clapp III and adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations considered the petition for a new charter of Mooresboro Lodge No. 388, AF & AM to change its name to Friendship Lodge No. 388, AF & AM As the lodge has already moved from Mooresboro to Boiling Springs, North Carolina, the committee noted that the procedure to change its name was followed. Therefore, we recommend their request be approved.

Respectfully submitted,
William S. Totten Jr., Chairman
Brian J. Greenwood
Michael N. Clark
Roy R. Laws
Jerry L. Durmire

Presentation of Awards For Lodge Communication

(Docket No. 42)

Brother Ric Carter, editor of *The North Carolina Mason*, with appropriate remarks, presented certificates to the following lodges for excellence in communication:

Trestleboard

Charles M. Setzer 693

The Traveling Trowel

Black Mountain 663

The Plumb Line

King Solomon 704

The Crown Point of View

Crown Point 708

Harold Jones, Ken Castania and Steven Natale, editors

The Trestle Board

Gate City 694

Alvin Hardy

Grand Lodge Webmaster

Ray Gaddis

Webmaster

Salem 289

Al Hart

Webmaster

Monroe Area

Presentation of Joseph Montfort Medal

(Docket No. 43)

The Grand Master with appropriate remarks presented the Joseph Montfort Medal for distinguished service to Richard E. Carter, editor of the *North Carolina Mason*, assistant to grand secretary, past master Washington Lodge No. 675.

Grand Master's Five-Star Lodge Awards

(Docket No. 44)

The following report of the North Carolina Masonic development officer was read, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of General Purposes:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

This is our fifth year of development programs and activities in the Grand Lodge. We have grown in annual giving, legacy and planned gifts, and individual lodge annual gifting—The Grand Master's Five Star Program.

The year 1998 was another record year for our North Carolina Masonic Charities. The annual giving from the lodges and friends of our two Homes was up 18% over 1997 to \$2,119,563.66. Legacy gifts were an all time high at \$4,099,836.08. And, the Grand Master's Five Star Program for lodges contributed \$625,614.87.

But the most impressive growth is reflected in this last five year history. From 1994 through 1998 we've grown at a rate of 17% per year. Thus, in 1994 the average North Carolina Master Mason gave \$16.16 and in 1998 the average Mason gave \$35.73 that represents more than double growth in dollars coming from the average gift presented to our N. C. Masonic Charities.

There are 62 lodges participating in the Grand Master's Five Star Program. Nineteen of the original twenty are receiving their Silver Award—three consecutive years of recognition.

But first, let's recognize those lodges that performed the greatest in working their brothers in charitable efforts for The Masonic and Eastern Star Home, The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford and the North Carolina Masonic Foundation.

As I call the lodge award recipients, please get up from your chairs and come forward as rapidly as possible. Come to the stage and then afterwards we will go off stage to meet with the Grand Master and for photos.

Now, come quickly:

Brethren, as I mentioned earlier, there are nineteen lodges that fall in the first category. These nineteen lodges have received the Five-Star Award for the last three years running. They are truly our most active lodges in sending annual contributions to our N. C. Masonic Charities.

The Silver Award

St. John's Lodge No. 4	Kinston
Hiram Lodge No. 40	Raleigh
Millbrook Lodge No. 97	Raleigh
Cary Lodge No. 198	Cary
Long Creek Lodge No. 205	Huntersville
Hickory Lodge No. 343	Hickory
Snow Lodge No. 363	Boone
University Lodge No. 408	Chapel Hill
Bula Lodge No. 409	Burlington
Lexington Lodge No. 473	Lexington
Rockingham Lodge No. 495	Rockingham
Revolution Lodge No. 552	Greensboro
Riverside Lodge No. 606	Catawba
Round Peak Lodge No. 616	Mt. Airy
Elberta Lodge No. 654	West End
Creasy Proctor Lodge No. 679	Fayetteville
Richard Caswell Lodge No. 679	Kinston

West Gate Lodge No. 738

Charlotte

James K. Polk Lodge No. 759

Pineville

These Lodges produced \$235,963.62; the average lodge came in with annual contributions of \$12,420.

The Bronze Lodges

These lodges have performed at the Five Star level for the last two years. There are twenty-four lodges that performed at this level.

Stokes Lodge No. 32

Concord

Kilwinning Lodge No. 64

Wadesboro

Fellowship Lodge No. 84

Smithfield

Oxford Lodge No. 122

Oxford

Mocksville Lodge No. 134

Mocksville

Lincoln Lodge No. 137

Lincolnton

Henderson Lodge No. 229

Henderson

Laurinburg Lodge No. 305

Laurinburg

Ashler Lodge No. 373

Deep Gap

James A. Johnson Lodge No. 413

Louisburg

Stokesdale Lodge No. 428

Stokesdale

Matthews Lodge No. 461

Matthews

Southern Pines Lodge No. 484

Southern Pines

Moorestville Lodge No. 496

Moorestville

Pilot Lodge No. 493

Pilot Mountain

Roman Eagle Lodge No. 550

Aberdeen

Guilford Lodge No. 656

Greensboro

Black Mountain Lodge No. 663

Black Mountain

Pioneer Lodge No. 685

Winston-Salem

Fellowship Lodge No. 687

Durham

Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 690

Statesville

Crown Point Lodge No. 708

Greenville

Newell Lodge No. 739

Newell

Mint Hill Lodge No. 742

Mint Hill

These Lodges produced \$223,137.01; the average lodge produced \$9,297.38.

First Year Recipients of Grand Master's Five Star Award

There are seventeen lodges in this category.

St. John's Lodge No. 13

Kenansville

Statesville Lodge No. 27

Statesville

King Solomon Lodge No. 138

Burgaw

William T. Bain Lodge No. 231

Raleigh

Tabasco Lodge No. 27

Gibsonville

Copeland Lodge No. 390

Dobson

Elkin Lodge No. 454

Elkin

Traphill Lodge No. 483

Traphill

Joppa Lodge No. 530

Charlotte

Spencer Lodge No. 543

Spencer

Mount Holly Lodge No. 544

Mount Holly

Temple Lodge No. 676

Charlotte

Renfro Lodge No. 691

Mount Airy

East Gate Lodge No. 692

Charlotte

Gate City Lodge No. 694

Greensboro

Cabarrus Lodge No. 720

Concord

Twin County Lodge No. 729

Rocky Mount

Steele Creek Lodge No. 737

Charlotte

Charles B. Newcomb Lodge No. 740

Raleigh

These lodges produced \$233,137.02; an average lodge produced \$13,125.71.

Also, as an interest note, these sixty-two lodges had an annual contribution range of \$2,500 to \$44,200. So please, re-look your opportunity to qualify for the Five Star Program. It is designed for all lodges, all sizes. Your lodge can qualify!

Additionally, to date the Calendar Program has brought in over \$280,000. Over 11,500 Masons have participated or over 18% of the membership.

So again, here is where "the rubber meets the road." Since the beginning of the Development Office in the Grand Lodge for our three charities, 4 1/2 years ago, incrementally the Annual Fund has produced \$964,230.70; Legacy gifts have increased our three endowments by \$7,212,171.68; and charitable remainder unitrusts by \$3,500,000; for a combined incremental total of \$11,676,402. While the development program cost have been \$360,331 for the full four-year period. Fund raising dollar raised for our three charities only \$.03.1 was used for Development programming. Brethren, the National Society of Fund Raising Executives Organization asked their constitutes organizations to try to keep their cost around 15% or .15 cents on the dollar or below! Our 3.1 cents on the fund raising dollar is in the top category of all fund raising organizations.

For the past three years I have been standing before you and reporting our astonishing growth supporting our three wonderful charities—our beloved children, our elder brothers and sisters, and our wonderful North Carolina Masonic Foundation. If you recall I have given a little lesson at the close of each report.

My first lesson was about a young man who tried to trick King Solomon's wisdom by holding a small bird in his hands and asking the great king if the small bird was alive or dead? If the king answered "alive," the young man would crush the life out of the bird, and then let the bird fall to the ground. If the king answered "dead," then he would release the bird to flight. Either way, the young man was certain that he had found a way to challenge the king's great wisdom and thus he, the young man, would be wiser than this great, noble one; but, the king responded wisely "only you, my son, know the answer as to the life or death of the small bird; you have the fate of the bird in your hands"—the lesson here that we as Master Masons have the fate of our charities in our hands and we control their destinies, their life, their growth, their well-being.

The second lesson was from Brother Theodore Roosevelt's quote to action—"it is not the critic who counts; not the one who points out how the strong man stumbled, or how the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena; whose face is marred with dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs and comes short again and again; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, and spends himself in a worthy cause; who, if he wins, knows the triumphs of high achievement; and who, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly; so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat." The lesson here: we few who labor diligently in the quarries of life for Masonic efforts and charities are living the Masonic teachings and precepts in our every day lives for the good of others and the critic doesn't matter.

Now in closing, the third lesson:

"An old man sat outside of the walls of King Solomon's great temple and city. When travelers approached, they would ask him, "Old man, what kind of people live here?" And the old man would answer, "What kind of people lived in the place where you come from?" If the travelers answered, "Only bad people lived in the place where we came from," then the old man would reply, "Continue on; you will find only bad people here." But if the travelers answered, "Only good people lived in the place where we came from," then

the old man would say, "Enter, . . . for here too, you will find only good people."

Thank you my Brethren for allowing me to serve as your development officer. Keep up the good Masonic work for our charities!

Respectfully submitted,
James L. Medlin,
Director of Development

Presentation Of District Deputy Grand Lecturer Certificates

(Docket No. 45)

Grand Lecturer Danial M. Hogue Jr. presented certificates to the following past district deputy grand lecturers:

Dist.	Last Name	First	Middle	Lodge Name	No.
1	Smith	Johnny	Marvin	Belhaven	509
4	Stokes	Harry	Jackson	Orr	104
17	Best	John	Hilton	Mount Lebanon	117
19	Matthews	Rufus	Adam	Potecasi	418
22	Burgess	McComas	B.	James A. Johnson	413
25	Pittman	Stewart	Wayne	Charles B. Newcomb	740
29	Edney	Phillip	Harrison	John Huske Anderson	731
30	Guy	David	Eugene	Laurinburg	305
38	Bostick	Donnie	Ray	Biscoe	437
40	McGee	Boyd	Neal	Newell	739
46	Lewis	Kenneth	Edgar	Old Town	751
48	Barnes	James	Andrew	West Bend	434
51	Rash	Keith	Bradley	Harmony	299
55	Shiver	Terry	Warren	Whetstone	515
56	Willis	Bobby	Dean	Mooresboro	388
64	Stephens	Norman	Dean	Dillsboro	459

Called From Labor To Refreshment

Prayer was offered by Grand Chaplain Davis Cash, and the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, April 10, 1999 in Oasis Shrine Center, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Second Day - Morning Session Call From Refreshment to Labor

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, April 10, 1999 in the Oasis Shrine Center, Charlotte, North Carolina by Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory. Prayer was offered by Grand Chaplain David Cash.

Report Of The Committee On Finance

(Docket No. 46)

The following report of the Committee on Finance was presented by Robert E. Gresham Jr., adopted by sections, and then adopted as a whole:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

We recommend that the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., divide the earnings up to \$200,000 between the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. Any additional earnings above the \$100,000 shall be disbursed to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

We recommend the Charity Fund transfer to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home and the Masonic Home for Children the sum of \$6,000.00 each.

We recommend that \$10,000.00 be transferred from the General Fund to the Building and Office Reserve Fund.

We recommend that the Grand Master have authority, when he deems it advisable for the best interest of the Grand Lodge, to suspend the allotment made to any committee, activity or agency of the Grand Lodge.

We recommend further that when it shall appear for the best interest of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master be authorized to give written authorization for any line item in the budget to be exceeded to incur out-of-ordinary expenses not herein provided for, within availability of funds.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert E. Gresham Jr., Chairman

E-M@son Presentation

(Docket No. 47)

On behalf of E-M@son, Past Grand Master Richard G. Moore presented Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory the E-M@son Mason of the Year Award for 1998. The group recognized him because he "has passionately promoted the Brotherhood of Man under the Fatherhood of God throughout his jurisdiction."

The award reads:

"...the man who is free from superstition and free from infidelity; who, in nature, sees the finger of the Eternal Master; who feels and adores the higher destination of man; to whom Faith, Hope, and Charity are not mere words without any meaning; to whom property, nay, even life, is not too dear for the protection of innocence and virtue, and for the defense of truth..." Brother Gregory is such a man."

E-M@son is an internet site dedicated to Freemasonry. It is visited by more than 20,000 people daily.

Report of The Committee On Masonic Jurisprudence

(Docket No. 48)

The following report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence was presented by Past Grand Master Walter F. McCall. The recommendation of the committee on each section was adopted, or rejected as indicated. The report was then adopted as a whole.

Each subject for vote is followed by the Committee recommendation and the vote of the delegates to Grand Lodge.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence respectfully submits the following report. For convenient reference, we use the same subjects, titles and subdivisions of the Address of the Grand Master, as used by him or the Docket Number used in any report, or other documents submitted for our consideration and action in all of our references to those matters and subjects.

Orders of the Grand Master

Order No. 1

It has been brought to my attention by the Grand Secretary's office that Beulaville Lodge No. 658 elected CLM to receive the degrees at the stated communication held on May 5, 1998, and then conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on him at the same stated communication (May 5, 1998), which was in violation of Regulation 71-22 of *The Code*.

Since the candidate was not responsible for this violation of the law of our Grand Lodge, I hereby order:

1. That Beulaville Lodge No. 658 heal Entered Apprentice CLM at the first stated communication following receipt of this Order, as provided in Regulation 87-6. It shall be sufficient only to re-obligate this candidate in the first degree, in a lodge opened on that degree, and after the candidate has been thus healed, he may then be advanced when prepared as required in Regulation 72-2.

2. This Order shall be read in the lodge at the first stated communication following its receipt, and it shall be made a part of the minutes of that meeting.

3. The lodge secretary shall report to the grand secretary within five days after the healing of this candidate that this Order has been complied with and the date thereof.

Given under my hand and seal at Statesville, North Carolina, this the 21st day of May, 1998.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 1 be approved.

The Grand Lodge approved Order No. 1.

Order No. 2

It has been brought to my attention by the Grand Secretary's office that Royal Hart Lodge No. 497 elected Mr. DAW to membership on June 15, 1998, which was the date of an emergent communication of the lodge and which is clearly illegal under the positive language of Regulation 68-1. It has been further noted that the lodge conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on Mr. White on June 22, 1998.

Since the candidate was not responsible for this violation of the law of

our Grand Lodge, and since a degree has been conferred, I hereby order:

1. That Royal Hart Lodge No. 497 heal Entered Apprentice DAW at the first stated communication following receipt of this Order, as provided in Regulation 87-6. It shall be sufficient only to re-obligate this candidate in the first degree, in a lodge opened on that degree, and after the candidate has been thus healed, he may then be advanced when prepared as required in Regulation 72-2.

2. The lodge Secretary shall report to the Grand Secretary within five days after the healing of this candidate that this Order has been complied with and the date thereof.

Given under my hand and seal at Statesville, North Carolina, this the 23rd day of June, 1998.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 2 be approved.

The Grand Lodge approved Order No. 2.

Order No. 3

It has been brought to my attention by the grand secretary's office that Conover Lodge No. 709 elected JPB to receive the degrees on July 9, 1998, without the Petition for the Degrees having been certified by the Grand Secretary.

The ballot taken on July 9, 1998 is clearly illegal under the positive language of Regulation 73-13 of *The Code*, and is, therefore, NULL and VOID.

Since the Grand Master is empowered to order another ballot in cases of this kind, I hereby order a re-ballot to Conover Lodge No. 709 at the stated communication to be held on July 23, 1998.

This order shall be read to the lodge at the next stated communication, entered on the minutes of that communication and a proper notation made on the margin of the minutes for July 9, 1998, referring to this Order and the date it was recorded in the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal at Statesville, North Carolina, this 13th day of July, 1998.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 3 be approved.

The Grand Lodge approved Order No. 3.

Order No. 4

It has been brought to my attention by the grand secretary's office that Rich Square Lodge No. 488 received the Applications for Affiliation of RTSJr., SWV, and WSOJr. on June 11, 1998, and elected them to membership on July 9, 1998, without the applications having been first certified by the grand secretary's office and returned to the lodge. It is further noted that none of the applications had been signed by two recommenders of Rich Square Lodge No. 488.

The ballot taken on July 9, 1998, to elect Brothers RTSJr., SWV, and WSOJr. is clearly illegal under the positive language of Regulation 68-1.2 of *The Code*, and is, therefore, NULL and VOID.

Since the Grand Master is empowered to order another ballot in cases of this kind, I hereby order a rebalot to Rich Square Lodge No. 488 at the stated communication to be held on August 13, 1998, if the applicants can secure the names of two recommenders who are members of Rich Square Lodge No. 488 and if the applications can be mailed to the Grand Secretary for certification and returned to the lodge by August 13. If this cannot be accomplished by August 13 the lodge shall than ballot on these applications at the stated communication to be held on September 10, 1998.

This Order shall be read to the lodge at the next stated communication, entered on the minutes of that communication and a proper notation made on the margin of the minutes for July 9, 1998, referring to this Order and the date it was recorded in the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal at Statesville, North Carolina, this 31st day of July, 1998.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 4 be approved.

The Grand Lodge approved Order No. 4.

Order No. 5

I have received correspondence from Brother Larry S. McPhail, District Deputy Grand Master, regarding the removal from office of Brother BRS, junior warden, on December 8, 1997. I have also received two copies of letters to Brother BRS from Brother BC, who was Master at the time, regarding his removal from office, as well as a letter to Brother BC from Brother BRS.

The Grand Secretary's office was informed of Brother BRS's suspension from office due to his neglect in performing the duties of his office, and Most Worshipful Brother Gerry T. Smith, Grand Master at the time, approved this removal on December 22, 1997.

I have reviewed the correspondence regarding Brother BRS's removal from office, and I hereby ORDER Creasy Proctor Lodge No. 679 to:

1. Erase all mention of Brother BRS's removal from the office of junior warden from the minutes and any other records of Creasy Proctor Lodge No. 679 as if this removal never occurred, and enter on the permanent records that Brother BRS is a past junior warden.

2. Destroy the letter approving Brother BRS's removal from office written by Most Worshipful Brother Gerry T. Smith, then Grand Master, on December 22, 1997.

This Order shall be read to the lodge at the stated communication held on January 12, 1999, and entered on the minutes of that communication.

Given under my hand and seal at Statesville, North Carolina, this 9th day of December, 1998.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 5 be rejected.

The Grand Lodge rejected Order No. 5.

Order No. 6

It has been brought to my attention by the grand secretary's office that Clay Lodge No. 301 received the Application for Affiliation of WLB on November 16, 1998, and elected him to membership on December 21, 1998, without the application having been first certified by the Grand Secretary's office.

The ballot taken on December 21, 1998, to elect Brother WLB is clearly illegal under the positive language of Regulation 68-1.2 of *The Code* and is, therefore, NULL and VOID.

Since the Grand Master is empowered to order another ballot in cases of this kind, I hereby order a rebalot to Clay Lodge No. 301 at the stated communication on January 18, 1999, provided Brother WLB completes another Application for Affiliation in ink and attaches his 1999 dues card issued by Sebastian Lodge No. 232, Florida, and this Application and dues card, along with Brother WLB signed Application for a Demit, have been mailed to the Grand Secretary's office for his certification and returned to the lodge.

This Order shall be read to the lodge at the stated communication on

January 18, 1999, entered on the minutes of that communication and a proper notation made on the margin of the minutes for December 21, 1998, referring to this Order and the date it was recorded in the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal at Statesville, North Carolina, this 28th day of December, 1998.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 6 be approved.

The Grand Lodge approved Order No. 6.

Order No. 7

Pursuant to my Order of December 28, 1998 concerning charges of electioneering in the December officer elections of Union Lodge No. 618, I have appointed an Investigating Commission to act on my behalf.

That Commission has authority to summons members as it sees fit. I have authorized them to use whatever means they deem necessary to get to the root of this problem. The Commission is to be given total cooperation by any and all members of your lodge.

The Commission members are Past Grand Master Richard G. Moore, Past Grand Master Walter F. McCall, and Past Master Michael Gregory Whitfield. District Deputy Grand Master Daniel S. Hartis will assist them as needed.

The Commission will be as expedient as possible under the circumstances.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 7 be approved.

The Grand Lodge approved Order No. 7.

Order No. 8

It has been brought to my attention by the grand secretary's office that Horse Creek Lodge No. 719 received the Petition of JMR on December 8, 1998; elected Mr. JMR to membership on January 12, 1999, and conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on January 26, 1999, without the Petition having been first mailed to the grand secretary's office for his checking and recording.

Regulation 65-8 states the secretary shall, within five days after presenting and reading the petition, forward it to the Grand Secretary for recording. No lodge shall ballot on any Petition for the Degrees until the reports of the Grand Secretary and the Committee of Investigation thereon have been received.

Since our brother was not responsible for these flagrant violations of the laws of our Grand Lodge, I hereby REPRIMAND the lodge, and especially the Master, for allowing these illegalities to take place within the lodge.

Given under my hand and seal at Statesville, North Carolina, this 5th day of February, 1999.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 8 be approved.

The Grand Lodge approved Order No. 8.

Order No. 9

The Grand Secretary's Office has brought to my attention that there were irregularities in the election of officers of Union Lodge No. 618 held on December 14, 1998. I appointed an independent commission to investigate the charges of electioneering. Their findings indicate that several irregularities did in fact occur. Among the findings were that the minutes of the lodge did not accurately reflect the sale of lodge property and that electioneering did take place.

Therefore, It is my ORDER that:

1. The election of officers held on December 14, 1998 is null and void.
2. The present officers of Union Lodge shall continue to occupy their offices for 1999.
3. Daniel Hartis, DDGM shall attend each stated communication of Union Lodge No. 618 for a one year period to see that the communications are properly conducted and that the minutes accurately reflect the meetings. Since Brother Hartis' tenure as DDGM expires with the 1999 Annual Communication, I am directing that he continue in this supervisory capacity representing the Grand Master in this matter. I further recommend that the incoming Grand Master review the actions of Union Lodge No. 618 to determine if further supervision beyond this one year period is warranted.
4. The actions pertaining to the sale of the said lodge property shall be acted upon by the lodge and recorded in the minutes.
5. Tampering with the election process of a lodge for whatever reason, being one of the most serious of Masonic offenses, I hereby direct the judge advocate to draw up the necessary documents to prefer charges of un-Masonic conduct against Brother GEL.

This ORDER shall be read to the lodge at the next stated communication of Union Lodge No. 618 and made a part of the minutes of that communication.

Given under my hand and seal in the city of Statesville, this 12th day of February, 1999.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 9 be approved.

The Grand Lodge approved Order No. 9.

Order No. 10

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence called to my attention Regulation 62-1.1.A which specifically prohibits alteration of minutes once they have been approved by the lodge. Regulation 13-4.13 prohibits the Grand Master from authorizing anything specifically forbidden by *The Code*.

Accordingly I hereby rescind my Order No. 5 and hereby ORDER:

1. Brother BRS is a past junior warden of Creasy Proctor Lodge No. 679.
2. Creasy Proctor Lodge No. 679 shall enter a marginal notation in the minutes of the lodge that all mention of Brother BRS's removal from the office of junior warden in the minutes or elsewhere in the records of the lodge shall be disregarded and treated as though the removal had never occurred.

This order shall be read at the next stated communication of Creasy Proctor Lodge No. 679 and entered on the minutes of that communication.

Given under my hand and seal at Charlotte, North Carolina this the 9th day of April, 1999.

The Committee recommended that Order No. 10 be approved.

The Grand Lodge approved Order No. 10.

Opinion No. 1

Question 1. As Master of a Subordinate Lodge, am I required by Reg. 50-5, in particular Subsection 7 thereof, to refuse to seat a visiting brother if a member of my Lodge objects?

Answer 1. No.

Regulation 50-5 begins "[i]t is the prerogative of the Master to say who shall and who shall not be admitted as a visitor to his lodge" and ends "for the abuse thereof the Master shall be accountable only to the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge." The intent of this language, to give the Master control over whether a visitor will be seated, is unequivocal.

Consider the effect of the alternative interpretation. If the middle phrase and the word "should" in Subsection 7 require the Master to honor a member's objection, then the Master has no "prerogative" other than his own "right [as] a member to object" to "abuse." The Master would, therefore, have less authority than any other member of the Lodge. The Master would be "accountable... to the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge" for abuse of his "right [as] a member to object" but no other member of the Lodge would be subject to discipline for such abuse. The "right of a member to object" would thus eliminate the "prerogative" of the Master.

"The prerogative of the Master" to overrule the objection does not have a similar effect on "the right of a member" to raise the objection. Under Reg. 50-5.1 "only a member of a lodge has the right to object." The Master "should" carefully and thoughtfully consider the objection. If the Master believes that the objection is well founded, he "should regard the wishes of the member in preference to those of the visitor." The "wishes of the member" are not, however, a command or injunction over "the prerogative of the Master." Although under Reg. 50-5.9 "[t]he Master cannot require a member to give his reasons for objecting," Reg. 50-5.3 allows the objecting member to communicate the reasons for his objection "privately to the Master." Given this option to discretely communicate any legitimate "reasons for objecting," any worthy Master Mason raising a legitimate objection to a visitor may be certain that the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge will hold accountable any Master who "abuses" his "prerogative" and seats the visitor over such an objection.

Question 2. If the answer to question 1 is no, may I inquire as to the reason for the objection before making a decision?

Answer 2. Yes.

Given the injunction of Reg 50-5.7 that you "should regard the wishes of the member in preference to those of the visitor," not only may you make such an inquiry you should make the inquiry. Agreeable to Reg. 50-5.2 you should afford the objecting member the opportunity to communicate his reason to you "privately."

Although pursuant to Reg. 50-5.9 you may not require the objecting member to "give his reasons for objecting," you may weigh his refusal to give a reason in considering the merit of the objection. You may also inquire as to the extent of the objecting member's acquaintance with the visitor. If the objecting member is acquainted with the visitor but declines to "give his reasons for objecting" you may conclude that a worthy member's objection is well founded and that pursuant to Reg. 50-5.7 you "should regard the wishes of the member in preference to those of the visitor."

Given under my hand and seal in the city of Statesville, this 1st day of July, 1998.

The Committee recommended that Opinion No. 1 be approved.

The Grand Lodge rejected Opinion No. 1.

Following are changes to *The Code* proposed for voting this year at Annual Communication. They appear with a short summary of the intentions of each proposal, the Committee's recommendation, and Grand Lodge action.

Amendments To The Code

We have considered the following amendments to *The Code* as submitted by the Committee on Unfinished Business which was presented at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge held on April 17, 1998, to be acted on at this Annual Communication.

Share Territory By Compact

Three lodges have proposed fraternal recognition of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Inc. In order to make that possible The Code must be changed to allow sharing jurisdiction within the state.

Submitted by:

Hominy Lodge No. 491, Doric Lodge No. 568, and Hiram Lodge No. 40

Amend Section 2-2 to read:

SECTION 2-2 SOVEREIGNTY OF THE GRAND LODGE. The sovereignty of the Grand Lodge touching upon all Masonic matters within, but not outside of, its territorial boundary is full and complete and any of its subordinate lodges has the right to receive the petition of any profane for the degrees or the application of any nonaffiliated Mason for affiliation who possess the physical, mental, moral, and residential qualifications of the Grand Lodge. No other grand lodge shall have or exercise any rights within this territorial jurisdiction unless by compact (mutual consent) approved by this Grand Lodge.

The Committee recommended approval of the amendment.

The Grand Lodge rejected the amendment.

Change 25-Year Award Requirements

To get a 25-year award, your membership must be 25 years without interruption. One day out, means the member must start counting all over again. All other longevity awards are based on total (cumulative, not continuous) years membership. This amendment would make the 25 match the rest.

Submitted by:

Kilwinning Lodge No. 64

Amend Regulation 80-4 to read as follows:

REGULATION 80-4. The Grand Lodge shall provide at its expense a suitable certificate together with a medal or emblem to be known as the Grand Lodge of North Carolina Service Award to be presented to Master Masons, members of lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, who have been Master Masons in good standing for twenty-five years or more.

The Committee recommended approval of the amendment.

The Grand Lodge approved the amendment.

Proposing Men for Membership

Masons may not currently invite or in any way recruit men to petition for the degrees in Masonry.

These amendments would allow a lodge member to propose a man for membership in a lodge. The man proposed would be interviewed by the master and wardens of the lodge. If they were satisfied with the candidate, they could give him a signed petition for presentation to the lodge. Current procedures would then be followed.

Submitted by:

Mount Hermon Lodge No. 118

Amend Regulation 43-3.6 to read as follows:

REGULATION 43-3.6. A lodge shall not engage in any program of solicitation of petitions, nor shall it permit any of its members to do so. However, it shall be lawful for a lodge to encourage and participate in proposing for the degrees.

Proper proposing shall be defined as

- A. Any brother in good standing in a lodge may propose a man for the degrees.
- B. The person proposed should be known to the proposer as one worthy in every way to become a Mason.
- C. The proposer shall present the name of the proposed to the master or wardens of his lodge, who then shall meet with the petitioner to satisfy themselves that he is indeed a proper candidate. If found so, he shall be given a petition.
- D. When the petition is returned with the proper fee, the regular procedures of investigation and balloting shall be followed.
- E. Any two of the aforementioned master or wardens may sign the petition as recommenders.

Amend Regulation 65-4 to read as follows:

REGULATION 65-4. Every petitioner for the degrees shall be recommended by two members of the lodge to which he petitioned. Each of whom must have personal acquaintance with the petitioner. However, it shall also be lawful for the master and/or wardens to recommend the petitioner proposed, after at least two of them have met with the proposed candidate personally.

The Committee recommended rejection of the amendments.

The Grand Lodge rejected the amendments.

Lodge of Sorrow

Many lodges have problems getting enough members to open a lodge before a funeral. Particularly in very spread out areas, the distance between the funeral service and graveside service may be great and require more time than working men can sacrifice.

These suggested amendments would allow a lodge, if it chooses, to go straight to a funeral to conduct a Masonic funeral service. A lodge of sorrow would be opened and closed annually at the installation of officers. The scroll of departed members would be read at that time. Lodges which wish to continue the current method of opening and closing a lodge before going to the graveside could do so.

Submitted by:

Charles M. Setzer Lodge No. 693

Amend Regulation 82-4 to read as follows:

Regulation 82-4. For the purpose of Masonic funerals only, a Lodge of Sorrow may be opened annually on the Degree of Master Mason, after the installation of officers, the usual lodge ceremonies conducted. At the time of request for Masonic funeral services, the Master shall notify lodge officers and members to assemble at a specified place and time. At the assembly point instruction and information will be given relative to the funeral service and place of interment. The minutes shall be read and approved at the next convened meeting of the lodge. The Lodge of Sorrow shall be closed annually on the Degree of Master Mason, before the next installation of officers.

1. The secretary shall add at the end of the minutes a certificate to the effect that the brethren did receive the body and did inter the same with a Masonic burial ceremony.
2. The secretary shall during the annual closing of the Lodge of Sorrow

read the names of all deceased brethren with dates of birth, initiation, passed, raised, and death.

The Committee recommended approval of the amendment.

The Grand Lodge approved the amendment.

Relax Recommenders Requirements

Petitions for the degrees must currently carry the recommendations of two members of the lodge petitioned. This can be difficult in a society, such as ours, in which people move so frequently.

This proposed change would allow one of those recommenders to be from another North Carolina lodge.

Submitted by:

University Lodge No. 408

Amend Regulation 65-4 to read as follows:

REGULATION 65-4. Every petitioner for degrees shall be recommended by two North Carolina members at least one a member of the lodge to which he petitioned, each of whom must have personal acquaintance with the petitioner. (74-2).

Amend Regulation 65-8 to read as follows:

REGULATION 65-8. When a petition for degrees is received by a lodge, the Secretary shall, within five days after presenting and reading in open lodge at a stated communication, forward the original petition to the Grand Secretary who shall attach thereto such record and information with respect to the petitioner as he may possess, verify the appropriate membership of the recommenders and return the same with his record to the secretary of the subordinate lodge within five days from its receipt by him. (59-12.19; Official Form 49).

The Committee recommended approval of the amendments.

The Grand Lodge approved the amendments.

Relax Residency Requirements for Armed Forces Members

Military men are not in control of their home location. They are subject to the whims of government assignment and national emergency.

These proposed amendments would allow members of the military flexibility in residency requirements for petitioning when military deployment or reassignment interferes with his chain of residency. Any exceptions would be granted at the pleasure of the Grand Master by special dispensation.

Submitted by:

Howard Kahn, DDGM 9th District

Amend Regulation 42-7.1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 42-7.1. No lodge shall possess jurisdiction over any petitioner for the degrees in Masonry until he shall have been a resident for one year within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and for six months immediately preceding the date of the petition within the territorial limits of such lodge. The Grand Master may grant dispensation for active duty members of the Armed Forces in regards to the residency requirements. (42-8.3; 42-9; 42-16; 65-3.2; 66-1.8; 66-3; 68-7.1; 70-1.2)

Amend Regulation 42-8-E to read as follows

REGULATION 42-8-E. If he enters any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States the place in this state which was his residence, as defined

under this regulation at the time of his entry, shall continue to be such until he establishes a proper residence elsewhere. A lodge in this state may receive and act upon petitions for the degrees of members of any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States who have been stationed within its jurisdiction. This Grand Jurisdiction does not claim exclusive jurisdiction over residents of North Carolina in the Armed Forces who are stationed outside of this state. Any resident of this state in the Armed Forces may wherever stationed apply for the degrees to the lodge in North Carolina which had jurisdiction when he entered such Armed Forces, or he may petition a lodge for the degrees in this, or in another grand jurisdiction, which may have acquired jurisdiction. (66-3)

Amend Regulation 66-1.8 to read as follows:

REGULATION 66-1.8. He must have resided within the state for at least one year and within the jurisdiction of the lodge petitioned at least six months immediately preceding the date of his petition unless a waiver is obtained from the lodge having jurisdiction as provided by law. The Grand Master may grant dispensation for active duty members of the Armed Forces in regards to the residency requirements. (42-7.1; 42-9; 66-3)

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence offers the following substitute amendments for the amendments submitted by Howard Kahn, DDGM 9th District. Brother Kahn's proposal would have relaxed residency requirements only for members of the armed forces. The substitute reduces the residency requirement for all applicants to six months within the state and jurisdiction of the lodge.

Amend Regulation 42-7.1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 42-7.1 No lodge shall possess jurisdiction over any petitioner for the degrees in Masonry until he shall have been a resident for six months immediately preceding the date of the petition within the territorial limits of such lodge.

Amend Regulation 66-1.8 to read as follows:

8. He must have resided within the jurisdiction of the lodge petitioned at least six months immediately preceding the date of his petition unless a waiver is obtained from the lodge having jurisdiction as provided by law.

The Committee recommended approval of the substitute amendment.

The Grand Lodge approved the substitute amendment.

Remove Potentially Offensive Language

Reg. 66-5 mentions matters not barring Masonic membership. It unnecessarily lists Roman Catholicism, potentially embarrassing members of that faith.

This amendment would remove the reference. This would not change the meaning or effect of the rule, only reduce possible hard feelings.

Submitted by:

University 408

Amend Regulation 66-5 to read as follows:

REGULATION 66-5. A man is eligible to petition for the degrees in Masonry as long as he is in possession of the required physical and intellectual faculties, of which the lodge must be the judge. One of illegitimate birth, or an alien, if otherwise qualified, is eligible. That Masonry unites men of every country, sect and opinion is one of the fundamental principles of the Craft, and if the petitioner is a good man and true, has faith

in God and is desirable material otherwise, the fact that he is a member of any faith that bars Masonic membership does not prohibit his making petition for the degrees in Masonry. (42-17; 87-4)

The Committee recommended approval of the amendment.

The Grand Lodge approved the amendment.

Change the Way Per Capita is Determined

Income for the Grand Lodge is hard to predict given the ever changing number of members in the state. Some believe we would be better served if we set per capita each year as part of the budget process at Annual Communication. The following amendment would do that.

Submitted by the following members of the Finance Committee:

William L. Mills III, Junior Grand Warden

Robert E. Gresham Jr., Chairman

Donald L. Williams

Graham W. Pervier

Joseph K. Transou

Amend Regulation 20-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 20-1. HOW ESTABLISHED. Each lodge, including lodges under dispensation, shall pay annually to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Lodge, the sums hereinafter specified.

1. The amount established by the Grand Lodge as the per capita tax for the current year at the annual communication held the preceding calendar year for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first.

Amend Regulation 34-5 to read as follows:

REGULATION 34-5. DUTIES AND POWERS. The duties and powers of the Committee on Finance are as follows:

3. Obsolete

Your Committees on Finance and Masonic Jurisprudence offer the following substitute amendments for the amendments submitted by William L. Mills III, Junior Grand Warden; Robert E. Gresham Jr., Chairman—Committee on Finance; Donald L. Williams; Graham W. Pervier; and Joseph K. Transou. The substitute amendments will set the per capita tax based on the budget each year and preserve the veteran's exemption.

Amend Regulation 20-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 20-1. HOW ESTABLISHED. Each lodge, including lodges under dispensation, shall pay annually to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Lodge, the sums hereinafter specified.

1. a. The amount established by the Grand Lodge as the per capita tax for the current year at the annual communication held the preceding calendar year for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first.
- b. A lodge shall be exempt from the payment of the annual assessment to the Grand Lodge for any member who has received either the Fifty Year or Sixty Year Service Award.

Amend Regulation 34-5 to read as follows:

REGULATION 34-5. DUTIES AND POWERS. The duties and powers of the Committee on Finance are as follows:

3. Obsolete

The Committee recommended approval of the substitute amendments.

The Grand Lodge rejected the substitute amendments.

The Committee then recommended approval of the original amendments.

The Grand Lodge rejected the original amendments.

Increase Per Capita

The following version is the same as the next, except that it does away with the exemption of 50-year members.

Submitted by:

Grand Lodge Committee on Finance

Amend Regulation 20-1 to read:

REGULATION 20-1. ESTABLISHED. Each lodge, including lodges under dispensation, shall pay annually to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Lodge, the sums hereinafter specified.

1. a. The sum of twelve dollars for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first.
- b. Obsolete

The Committee recommended approval of the amendments

The Grand Lodge rejected the amendments.

Increase Per Capita

While the Grand Lodge budget has remained relatively steady for the past few years, your membership base has shrunk, decreasing your income. The number of 50-year members is also increasing rapidly. Since lodges pay no per capita for 50-year men, your income is further eroded. These trends are projected to produce an operating loss in 2000.

Believing that current services to the Craft are necessary, the Finance Committee is recommending increasing your per capita tax to \$12.00 effective December 31, 2000.

Submitted by:

The Grand Lodge Committee on Finance

Amend Regulation 20-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 20-1. ESTABLISHED. Each lodge, including lodges under dispensation, shall pay annually to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Lodge, the sums hereinafter specified.

1. a. The sum of twelve dollars for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first.
- b. A lodge shall be exempt from the payment of the annual assessment to the Grand Lodge for any member who has received either the Fifty-Year or Sixty-Year Service Award.

The Committee recommended approval of the amendments

The Grand Lodge rejected the amendments

Endowed Membership

A number of grand lodges and their constituent lodges have had success with endowed memberships. By making a predetermined payment to the lodge, a member would be free from paying future dues. The payment would be left untouched in an endowment fund. Earnings from the fund would be split proportionally between the lodge and Grand Lodge.

Lodges would continue to collect dues from the endowed member long after his death. The primary purpose of the plan is to protect the financial future of our lodges. It also makes a good hedge against rising cost of living and decreasing membership.

The endowed member, besides getting the satisfaction of helping his lodge in perpetuity, never again will have to pay dues.

Setting such a plan into action touches upon many parts of The Code. The proposed changes are listed below.

Submitted by:

The Grand Lodge Officers / Long Range Planning Committee

Amend and add the following regulations to read:

SECTION 5-2 SUBORDINATE LODGES.

The Grand Lodge may by duly enacted law provide for the support of its subordinate lodges as follows:

1. By fixing the minimum fees for the degrees and for admission to membership. (64-1; Chapter 64).
2. By requiring each subordinate lodge to collect from its members annual dues; and to that end, the minimum amount may be prescribed. (77-1).
3. By providing for endowed memberships.

SECTION 5-7 PERMANENT FUND.

The Permanent Fund shall consist of principal received by the Grand Lodge for all endowed memberships and other such moneys, securities, and other property as the Grand Lodge may designate from time to time, or as may be designated thereto by gift or a devise or bequest.

1. Income earned by the Permanent Fund shall be paid into the General Fund.
2. No appropriation may be made from that portion of the Permanent Fund that represents the principal held as the endowed membership of a living Master Mason
3. Appropriations may be made from that portion of the Permanent Fund that represents the principal held as the endowed memberships of deceased Master Masons to either the Grand Lodge or the Subordinate Lodge of which the deceased Master Mason was a member at the time of his death.
 - a. Appropriations may be made from the principal of endowed memberships of deceased Master Masons to either the Grand Lodge or the subordinate lodge of which the deceased Master Mason was a member at the time of his death in proportion to their respective interests.
 - b. Appropriations may be made from the principal of endowed memberships of deceased Master Masons only in the manner provided in subsections 4 and 5 of this section.
4. An appropriation from the Permanent Fund shall be made only by a two-thirds affirmative written vote of the Grand Lodge at an annual communication on a resolution setting forth in detail the object and precise amount of the proposed appropriation.
5. The resolution shall be referred to the Committee on Finance and

shall not be acted upon until at least the day after it has been introduced, read, and referred as herein set forth. (19-1.1.D; 28-3.1; 36-7).

Add To Regulation 16-1:

REGULATION 16-1 DUTIES OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

The duties of the Grand Secretary are as follows.

18. To maintain a record of all petitioners for the degrees and applicants for membership; dates of receiving the several degrees, rejections, deaths, expulsions, suspensions, exclusions for nonpayment of dues, endowed memberships, and the dates thereof, and all other additions and losses in membership, with dates, as may be reported to his office by subordinate lodges. Such record shall show the full name, birthplace, date of birth, and other means of identification of all additions to membership; and to furnish any subordinate lodge such information as may be in his records when requested or when required by law to do so. (59-12.19).

REGULATION 23-1 CONTENTS OF ANNUAL PROCEEDINGS.

The transactions of the Grand Lodge, had at either an emergent or an annual communication, which are proper to be published shall be printed in the Annual Proceedings of the Grand Lodge immediately after the annual communication each year, and the Grand Secretary shall prepare its contents, supervise its printing and its distribution. The Annual Proceedings shall be conclusive evidence of all matters therein. In addition to the said transactions the volume of the Annual Proceedings shall contain as a supplement, or appendix, the following: (6-1.3; 16-1.5; 16-1.22; 43-4; 94-11.4).

7. Tabulated statements showing the name, number, and location of each subordinate lodge, and the day of its stated communication; the number of members initiated, died, suspended, and excluded for nonpayment of dues; the number of endowed memberships; the number of petitions for the degrees rejected during the preceding calendar year; and such other Masonic statistics as may be desirable and proper.

REGULATION 47-4 INFORMATION ENTERED.

The information to be entered on the annual return of a lodge shall be initiations, passings, raisings, endowed memberships, admissions, restorations, demissions, deaths, exclusions for nonpayment of dues, expulsions, and suspensions giving names in full with the respective dates. Additional information may be called for by the Grand Secretary on forms. The annual return shall be prepared on a typewriter or computer printer in the manner called for on the form. (88-2).

REGULATION 48-3 CONSOLIDATED LODGE.

The name and number of the consolidated lodge shall be that of the oldest lodge consolidated considering the date of charter, and no new charter shall be necessary, nor shall it be necessary to constitute the lodge again.

6. All books, records, funds, and property of every kind or nature, except charters and seals, of the lodge or lodges ceasing to exist,

together with all accounts receivable, including unpaid dues and endowed memberships, shall become the property of the consolidated lodge, and the consolidated lodge shall assume and be responsible for all debts and obligations of the lodges so consolidated or merged.

REGULATION 49-7 PROPERTY OF DEFUNCT LODGE.

Immediately upon the surrender or revocation of the charter of a lodge all moneys, books, records, papers, furniture, jewels, charter, seal, and all other property of every nature and kind, real and personal, belonging to such lodge at the time of its demise, shall become the property of the Grand Lodge to be applied as hereinafter provided.

Add the following to Regulation 49-7:

10. The endowed membership of a living Master Mason who becomes an unaffiliated Mason as a result of the surrender or revocation of the charter shall be revived and transferred to any subordinate lodge in this grand jurisdiction with which the brother affiliates.

REGULATION 77-12 LIFE MEMBERS. A lodge may create life members only as provided for in Chapter 79, and as long as such brother shall be a member, the lodge shall issue the prescribed annual dues receipt card to him as evidence of his continued membership therein and that he has not been suspended or expelled.

1. A lodge shall not provide that a member, after paying his dues, or having continuous membership for any number of years, shall be thereby exempt from the further payment of dues. (77-12.2).
2. A lodge shall not issue a life receipt for dues or a life membership in consideration of the payment by a member of a sum of money, but shall honor endowed memberships purchased by its members pursuant to Regulation 77-14. (77-11; 79-1; Chapter 79)

REGULATION 77-13 UNIFORM DUES. The annual dues charged by a lodge shall be uniform, each member paying the same amount, except for any differences that may result from the purchase of endowed memberships as provided in Regulation 77-14. In the regulation of dues by way of exemption, cancellation, increase, or reduction, a lodge shall not show preference or favoritism to any class or group of its members, but shall treat all members alike except members in the armed forces of the United States. (Chapter 77)

REGULATION 77-25 ENDOWED MEMBERSHIPS. Endowed Memberships may be purchased from the Grand Lodge on the following terms and conditions.

1. Any member in good standing and possessing a current dues card in a particular lodge of this grand jurisdiction may become an endowed member in that lodge pursuant to the provisions of this section.
2. The minimum payment for an endowed membership shall be twenty (20) times the annual dues of the applying member's subordinate lodge on the date of the application.
3. Regardless of the annual dues of the applying member's subordinate lodge the minimum payment for an endowed membership shall be based on annual dues of not less than thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$37.50). The minimum payment for an endowed membership shall not be less than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00). The

minimum annual installment payment for an endowed membership under Regulation 77-25.5 shall not be less than one hundred sixty-nine dollars and fifty cents (\$169.50).

4. The member desiring a endowed membership shall apply to the secretary of his lodge for such membership on forms prescribed by the Grand Lodge either the minimum payment described in Regulation 77-25.2 or the initial installment described in Regulation 77-25.4.A.
 - A. The lodge secretary shall complete his part of the application and shall forward the same together with the full fee due, to the Grand Secretary.
 - B. The date of the application shall be the date the Grand Secretary certified he received the application.
 - C. The endowed membership shall be effective for the second succeeding calendar year.
5. The endowed membership fee may be paid in five (5) equal annual installments.
 - A. The annual installment shall be 4.52 times the annual lodge dues at the time of application.
 - B. When purchased under the five (5) year option, a membership becomes perpetual based on the date of the application as provided in Regulation 77-25.3.C and continues as such, provided each of the four remaining installments is paid by December 31 in successive years.
 - C. After enrolling under this option, a member may not revert to the single payment method, but may remit any or all unpaid installments provided no installment is past due.
 - D. A member enrolled under the installment option may withdraw from the endowed membership program at any time.
 - E. A member withdrawing from the installment option reverts to the membership status held before joining the program and shall remit dues to his lodge for the current year and for successive years unless otherwise exempted.
 - F. Failure to pay any installment due by December 31 of each successive year constitutes voluntary withdrawal from the program, and regular dues in this lodge for the same year are payable.
 - G. A member who has withdrawn from the installment payment option may re-enroll in the program in the same status held when he withdrew. The remaining installments due from the re-enrolling brother shall be determined under Regulation 77-25.4.A based on the dues of his lodge at the time of his re-enrollment.
6. The application shall be signed by the applicant and have the certification of the Lodge secretary.
 - A. The application shall not become effective until the applicant's record has been certified by the Grand Secretary.
 - B. The application shall contain thereon the computations upon which endowed membership fee is predicated.
 - C. If the Grand Secretary determines that the minimum fee, tendered by the applicant is in excess of that required, he shall have the power to correct the application and the Lodge secretary's computations of the fee, accept the application as corrected and refund any excess fee to the applicant through the particular lodge secretary.

- D. If the fee tendered is insufficient, the Grand Secretary shall return the application and fee to the constituent lodge secretary for correction.
- E. A copy of the completed and accepted endowed membership application and a certificate of endowed membership shall be furnished to the applicant and his Lodge by the Grand Secretary.
- 7. After the endowed membership application and fee have been received and accepted by the Grand Secretary, the endowed membership fee shall not be refundable except under circumstances determined by the Grand Secretary to be mistakes of fact rendering the applicant ineligible for endowed membership as of the date of application.
- 8. After the applicant's endowed membership has been accepted by the Grand Secretary, the endowed membership fee shall be paid over to the Grand Treasurer. The funds shall be placed collectively in the Permanent Fund.
 - A. These funds shall be accounted for on an individual lodge basis.
 - B. The amount paid shall be apportioned between the Subordinate Lodge and the Grand Lodge in the ratio of the per capita tax in effect on the date of the application to the subordinate lodge dues on the date of the application.
 - C. To protect subordinate lodges from future Grand Lodge per capita tax increases on endowed members, the per capita tax on endowed memberships will be replaced by the apportionment of the endowed membership payment provided in Regulation 77-25.8.B.
 - D. The funds shall be audited annually.
- 9. An endowed member shall owe no further dues to the lodge of which he is an endowed member. A dues receipt card shall be issued by the lodge secretary.
- 10. When purchased under the five (5) year option, the subordinate lodges shall receive from the endowed membership installment payment each year not less than the difference between the subordinate lodge dues and the per capita tax on the date of the application. The Grand Lodge shall receive from the endowed membership installment payment each year not less than the per capita tax on the date of the application. These payments shall be made to the subordinate lodge when the installment is received by the Grand Lodge.
 - A. The payments to the subordinate lodge and the Grand Lodge mandated by this Regulation 77-25.11 shall be made regardless of the income earned by the Permanent Fund.
 - B. Beginning the year after the final installment payment is made the endowed member's dues shall be paid as provided in Regulation 77-25.9.
- 11. The Grand Secretary shall, at the time of the annual income distribution under Regulation 77-25.9, submit a statement to the subordinate lodge showing the apportionment of income from the endowed membership between the subordinate lodge and the Grand Lodge.
- 12. The obtaining of endowed membership in one subordinate lodge by a dual member shall have no effect on his membership in the other subordinate lodges to which he belongs. Dual memberships are permitted.
- 13. An endowed member may transfer his endowed membership to another lodge of which he is a dual member.

- A. If the lodge to which the endowed membership is transferred has lower dues, including per capita tax, than the lodge from which the endowed membership is transferred, the entire amount paid for the endowed membership shall, nevertheless, be transferred.
 - B. If the lodge to which the endowed membership is transferred has higher dues, including per capita tax, than did the originating lodge on the date of the application for endowed membership, the member shall remit an amount equivalent to the difference between the original cost of the existing endowed membership and the cost of a endowed membership in the lodge to which it is transferred, computed as of the date of the transfer.
 - C. If the member wishes to retain his dual membership in the lodge from which he transfers his endowed membership, he shall pay that lodge's regular dues and per capita tax for the year in which the transfer is made and any subsequent years so long as he retains his dual membership.
14. An endowed member may affiliate with another subordinate lodge as provided in Chapter 75 of *The Code*. If the affiliation is within this grand jurisdiction, the entire endowed membership fee he originally paid shall be transferred to the account of the lodge to which he affiliates. If the affiliation is outside this grand jurisdiction, the entire endowed membership fee shall remain with the lodge of which he was an endowed member.
 15. Any certificate of good standing issued to a endowed member shall be endorsed thereon the fact that the holder is a endowed member and the amount of the endowed membership fee shall be transferred to the particular lodge in North Carolina with which he affiliates.
 16. If a endowed member shall be suspended, expelled or demits and is subsequently restored to good standing, or re-affiliates from out of state, his endowed membership shall be deemed to also be restored.
 17. If a lodge consolidates, surrenders its charter or has its charter arrested, the funds credited to that lodge in the endowed membership fund shall follow the members according to the relevant sections of *The Code*.
 18. A Brother, at a future time, may add any amount to his endowed membership fee through his local lodge secretary.
 19. If a endowed member has not been heard from for more than seven (7) years, the Master shall direct the lodge secretary to report the name of the missing brother to the Grand Lodge as deceased. The name shall then be transferred to the rolls of deceased endowed membership. This action shall have no effect on the amount of money paid the subordinate lodge and Grand Lodge for that endowed member as provided in Regulation 77-25.9.

REGULATION 77-26 MEMORIAL ENDOWED MEMBERSHIPS. A Memorial Endowed Membership may be purchased by any person for a deceased Master Mason of a North Carolina lodge. The purchase fee for a Memorial Endowed Membership is five hundred dollars (\$500.00). The proportionate ratio distribution for a Memorial Endowed Membership is fixed at seventy-five per cent (75%) for the subordinate lodge and twenty-five per cent (25%) for the Grand Lodge.

*The Committee recommended approval of the amendments
The Grand Lodge approved the amendments.*

**Resolution:
Change Annual Communication Date**

(Docket No. 49)

WHEREAS, the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina shall meet in Raleigh, North Carolina on the third Tuesday in April; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Lodge by resolution moved the annual meeting to a Friday and Saturday format for the convenience of the delegates, and;

WHEREAS, meeting dates should always be scheduled at least two years in advance; and,

WHEREAS, Easter observances will not allow consistent meeting dates in April.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the annual communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina for the year 2000 be held in the city of Raleigh convening on Friday April, 28.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for the year 2001 be held in Raleigh convening of Friday, May 4 and shall continue to meet the first Friday in May until *The Code* can be amended.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of General Purposes

The Grand Lodge approved the Resolution

Recognition of the Grand Lodge of Romania

(Docket No. 50)

The Grand Lodge voted to recognize Marea Loja Nationala din Romania (the Grand Lodge of Romania) as recommended by our Committee on Foreign Correspondence and the Commission on Information and Recognition of the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. See also Docket No. 6.

**A Tribute to Thomas W. Gregory
Grand Master 1998-1999**

(Docket No. 51)

Each grand master makes sacrifices to meet the demands of the office. He must take calls when they are not convenient. A grand master must take time away from family and work. He must drive to the other end of the state on Saturday when he might prefer to spend the day napping in front of a college football game on television. He must smile at yet another serving of green beans and ham, when an Alka-Seltzer may be what's really needed.

Few are asked to sacrifice as much as Thomas W. Gregory. A year so heated was inevitable. It was good fortune for Freemasonry in North Carolina that that year fell the lot of Gregory, a man who could rise to the occasion.

It is easy to persuade ourselves that avoiding difficult issues is "for the good of the Craft." To avoid uncomfortable discussion, we can quickly find

solace in protecting the "harmony of the membership." We are thankful that Gregory's vision has been truer and less self-serving.

Where others may have settled for basking in the glory, Gregory covered himself in the heavier cloth of offering direction. He provided real leadership where others have settled for leading pep rallies.

We are taught from infancy to turn the other cheek—a simple task, so hard to learn. Gregory has shown himself a master of the art. Confronted by men vehement in their defiance, Gregory quietly gave them their time to talk. Turning the other cheek is personal sacrifice. It is forgoing the demand for the last word—a need so natural to each of us.

Strength lies in willingness to sacrifice, not refusal to listen. Too often we praise men for "inner strength." That homage should be reserved for such Masons as Thomas W. Gregory, for few men demonstrate his strength.

Few know the fear or the power of speaking your heart before an unfriendly crowd. Fewer can say they have bared themselves so selflessly as Thomas W. Gregory.

Gregory lived the year many grand masters have feared. It fell to him unasked and unavoidable. He lived it with a grace and toleration hard to find elsewhere. He sacrificed a year of self-importance for one of service and leadership.

The stresses of a difficult year did not hide from us the joys of sharing time with the man with a quick, soft laugh and a knack for a tall tale.

It did not conceal from us the warmth of a leader who understood and reminded us that our lives at home were more important than our lives at Masonic work.

We saw through it all a leader with a passion for tradition, but not shackled by it. We saw a man who knew the message of our ritual, not just its words.

We wish we could present him the gift of a simpler year.

We thank him for his gift to us—his sacrifice of a simple year for one offering direction.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of General Purposes

Presentation of Past District Deputy Grand Masters' Certificates

(Docket No. 52)

A motion was made and seconded that the honorary title of Past District Deputy Grand Master be granted to those brethren qualified and recommended by the Grand Master in his report. On vote, the motion was duly adopted.

The Grand Master, with appropriate remarks, presented Past District Deputy Grand Master Certificates to the following brethren:

Name	Lodge	District	Years Served	Total Years
Leroy W. Powers	463	1	1997-99	3
Garland L. Lewis	300	6	1997-99	3
Howard Kahn	680	9	1997-99	3
Edward A. Gaskins Jr.	319	10	1997-99	3
Thomas W. Tew	379	15	1997-99	3
Robert S. Flowers	602	18	1997-99	3

Johnny Reynolds	418	19	1997-99	3
W. G. Arnold	683	23	1997-99	3
Larry S. McPhail	730	29	1997-99	3
W. Harold Keith Jr.	499	33	1997-99	3
Stanley L. Allen	129	35	1997-99	3
James S. Porter	746	36	1997-99	3
Dennis L. Cook	64	39	1997-99	3
Daniel S. Hartis	695	43	1997-99	3
Johnny R. Poplin Jr.	390	47	1997-99	3
John A. Harrison	162	48	1997-99	3
Roy Houser	423	49	1997-99	3
William H. Keenum	668	55	1997-99	3
William P. Clark	489	58	1997-99	3

Election of Grand Lodge Officers

The Grand Master announced that the time for the elections of officers of the Grand Lodge had arrived. He appointed as tellers the District Deputy Grand Masters.

The election resulted as follows:

Grand Master	Charles Marshall Ingram Kenansville (13)
Deputy Grand Master	Charles Edward Cathey Canton (472)
Senior Grand Warden	William Lee Mills III Concord (32)
Junior Grand Warden	William Graham Mathis Rocky Point (138)
Grand Treasurer	Clifton White Everett Jr. Greenville (708)
Grand Secretary	T. Walton Clapp III Raleigh (237)

Report of The Committee On Credentials

(Docket No. 53)

The following report of the Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was read, received, and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Credentials herewith submits its final report for the 212th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge:

Representatives from 361 Chartered Lodges Present	1,067
Grand Lodge Officers Present (Elective and Appointive)	16
Past Grand Masters Present (in additon to Clifton W. Everett, Grand Treasurer, included in Grand Lodge Officers)	16
Members of Boards, Boards of Directors, Commissions, and Committees Present (not otherwise listed)	46
District Deputy Grand Masters Present	42

District Deputy Grand Lecturers Present	33
Total Present	1,220

Respectfully submitted,
Norman C. Miller, Chairman

Amendments

(Docket No. 54)

The following proposals for amendment of The Code were received before the deadline and referred to the Committee on Unfinished Business.

Amendment Group 1

Amend Regulation 86-2 (32), to read as follows:

REGULATION 86-2 (32). In addition to the power and authority contained in Chapter 58 of THE CODE, the Grand Master shall have the authority to direct the Judge Advocate to institute a Masonic Trial against any Master Mason within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge whom he believes, after investigation, to have been or is a party to the promoting of a lottery, game of chance, or a raffle of any kind or character in the name or in the behalf of Masonry.

Submitted by:

Asheboro Lodge No. 699

Amendment Group 2

The purpose of this amendment is to require the master of a lodge to turn away any visitor to his lodge if objected to by a member of the lodge.

Amend Regulation 50-5.7 to read as follows:

REGULATION 50-5.7. If the question of admission arises between a visiting Mason and a member, the Master SHALL regard the wishes of the member in preference to those of the visitor. (50-5.1; 59-2.7)

Submitted by:

Steele Creek Lodge No. 737

Amendment Group 3

This amendment would allow our Grand Lodge to negotiate and share our territorial jurisdiction with another grand lodge.

Amend Section 2-2 to read as follows:

SEC. 2-2 SOVEREIGNTY OF THE GRAND LODGE. The sovereignty of the Grand Lodge touching upon all Masonic matters within, but not outside of, its territorial boundary is full and complete and any of its subordinate lodges has the right to receive the petition of any profane for the degrees or the application of any nonaffiliated Mason for affiliation who possess the physical, mental, moral and residential qualifications of the Grand Lodge. No other Grand Lodge shall have or exercise any rights within this territorial jurisdiction unless by compact (mutual consent) approved by this Grand Lodge.

Submitted by:

Snow Lodge No. 363 &

Hominy Lodge No. 491

Amendment Group 4

Personnel salaries have always been available to delegates at Annual Communication. Out of concern for employee privacy, they have never been

published. This amendment would require that they be published yearly.

Amend Regulation 34-5(4) to read as follows:

REGULATION 34-5(4). The proposed budget sent to the subordinate Lodges for review prior to annual communication of the Grand Lodge shall include a complete and definitive accounting of all salaries, benefits and expenditures for every employee of the Grand Lodge.

Submitted by:

Bakersville Lodge No. 357

Amendment Group 5

This amendment would allow lodges which share jurisdiction to set their own initiation fees. currently, all lodges in a shared jurisdiction must have the same initiation fee.

Amend Regulation 64-2 to read as follows:

REGULATION 64-2. Fees in a Concurrent Jurisdiction. Obsolete

Submitted by:

Committee on By-Laws

Amendment Group 6

This change is to correct a section missed by last year's amendments which placed the OSW on sale.

Amend Regulation 86-2 (54) to read as follows:

REGULATION 86-2 (54). Obsolete

Submitted by:

William L. Mills III, Junior Grand Warden

Amendment Group 7

These amendments would alter the basic schedule of our Grand Lodge year. Annual Communication would open on the third Friday of September.

The man elected Grand Master would become Grand Master Elect until installation in November or December at an exact date and place named by him. This would bring the Grand Master's term into alignment with blue lodge officers. It would further allow the incoming Grand Master to make the appointments needed after his election, not in anticipation of it.

This schedule would allow our fiscal and calendar years to better match, making budgeting and spending easier to manage.

Amend Regulation 18-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 18-1 ANNUAL COMMUNICATION. The annual communication of the Grand Lodge for the transaction of business shall be convened in a city in North Carolina selected at a preceding annual communication, at ten o'clock in the morning of the third Friday in September of each year unless otherwise ordered by a resolution adopted by a majority vote at the preceding annual communication, or as provided in THE CODE. [13-2.24].

1. If the Grand Master changes the date, hour, or place of the annual communication pursuant to Reg. 13-2.24, due notice of any change shall be mailed to each subordinate lodge and to each officer and member of the Grand Lodge at least thirty days before the day named for such annual communication. [13-2.24; 27-7.7].
2. All invitations for the Grand Lodge to hold its annual communication at any place other than Raleigh, North Carolina, shall be in writing, addressed to the Board of General Purposes, and filed with the Grand

Secretary not later than January first and by him laid before the Board of General Purposes at its January meeting. The Board shall investigate the facilities as to meeting place, housing and other necessary accommodations and shall make a recommendation to the Grand Lodge at its next annual communication for its action. Any invitation not accepted shall not be carried over to be considered at a later annual communication.

Amend Regulation 12-7 to read as follows:

REGULATION 12-7 TIME OF INSTALLATION. The Grand Master-elect and all grand officers required to be installed shall be installed by the Grand Master, a Past Grand Master, or a Past Master at an emergent communication called for that purpose in the month of November or December or the earliest date possible thereafter either in the Grand Lodge or in a subordinate lodge within the state.

Amend Regulation 18-2 to read as follows:

REGULATION 18-2 EMERGENT COMMUNICATIONS. An emergent communication of the Grand Lodge shall be called under the following circumstances;

1. In the month of November or December for the purpose of installing officers at a location chosen by the grand master elect.
2. By Grand Master whenever, in his opinion, the welfare of Masonry shall require it, or
3. On written application therefor, signed by the Masters of not less than ten chartered lodges, setting forth the cause which demands it. [13-2.4].

Submitted by:

William L. Mills III, Junior Grand Warden

Amendment Group 8

The following would change the name of the group which oversees fundraising by lodges.

Amend Chapter 32 and any references elsewhere in The Code to change the name of "Committee on Subordinate Lodge Special Activities" to "Commission on Special Activities".

CHAPTER 32

Commission on Special Activities

REGULATION 32-1 MEMBERS. The Commission Special on Activities shall consist of three members to be nominated by the Board of General Purposes and elected by the Grand Lodge as follows. [27-1.3.P; 27-6; 27-7.8].

1. Each member of the committee shall be a Past Master of a subordinate lodge in this jurisdiction well versed in the law of this Grand Lodge and in the usages and customs of the Craft and shall be experienced in handling business matters pertaining to subordinate lodges.
2. At each annual communication the Board of General Purposes shall nominate one qualified brother to serve for three years. The Committee shall elect its chairman. In the event of a vacancy on the committee by death or for any other cause the Grand Master shall fill the vacancy by appointment for the unexpired term.

REGULATION 32-2 MEETINGS. The committee shall meet upon call of the Grand Master or Chairman and its business may be transacted by correspondence.

REGULATION 32-3 QUORUM. A quorum shall consist of two members.

REGULATION 32-4 DUTIES, POWERS, AND AUTHORITY. The duties, powers, and authority of the Commission on Special Activities shall be as follows.

1. To investigate any matter, subject or thing pertaining to fund raising activities by subordinate lodges. Such investigation may be made by one or more members of the committee, but the report shall be made by at least a majority of the committee.
2. To adopt from time to time such rules as may be necessary to govern fund raising activities as provided in Reg. 43-12.3.B.
3. To report to the Grand Master and to the Grand Lodge all the facts pertinent to any inquiry or investigation with recommendations as the committee may deem proper.
4. To consider and act upon all applications of lodges or brethren in connection with or relating to fund raising activities as provided in Reg. 43-12.3.B.
5. To call for and examine any record, book, or account of any subordinate lodge in this jurisdiction which may be the object of or within the scope of its investigation; to order and require the attendance of any Masonic witness, as may be necessary or advisable to the proper discharge of its duties. All the powers and authority set forth in this paragraph are to be exercised under the direction of the Grand Master.

Amend Regulation 43-12 (7) to read as follows:

REGULATION 43-12 (7). A subordinate lodge desiring to conduct any fund-raising activity for its own benefit or any fund raising activity other than those specified in Regulation 43-12.3 or in a manner other than that specified in Regulations 43-12.1 and 43-12.2 shall first submit an application detailing the planned project and its purpose to the Commission on Special Activities and must receive its approval before actively undertaking the project. [32-4.3].

Amend Regulation 43-12 (9) to read as follows:

REGULATION 43-12 (9). A subordinate lodge conducting any fund-raising activity shall file a financial report on the project within 60 days after completing the project with the Commission on Special Activities. The Lodge shall report the type of project, the purpose for which it was conducted, funds to be accounted for and distribution of profits.

Amend Regulation 85-3 (4) to read as follows:

REGULATION 85-3 (4). A lodge or a brother in the name of Masonry shall not by circular letter or otherwise, solicit pecuniary assistance or donations of money or merchandise for any purpose, from any lodge or brother in this or in any other grand jurisdiction, nor from any non-Masons unless, that solicitation is on behalf of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Incorporated, or the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, or the solicitation has been approved

in advance by the Commission on Special Activities.

Submitted by:

William L. Mills III, Junior Grand Warden

Amendment Group 9

These changes in the duties of The Code Commission would allow that Commission to help keep The Code in good working order by suggesting changes or modifications to the delegates.

Amend Regulation 33-2 to add a new subsection:

REGULATION 33-2 DUTIES, POWERS, AND AUTHORITY. The duties, powers, and authority of the Code Commission shall be as follows.

1. To scrutinize The Code and all amendments thereto and recommend to the Grand Lodge such changes to the form and substance of The Code as may make The Code more useful to the Craft and better promote the Ancient Landmarks, usages, and customs of Freemasonry.
2. To prepare and supervise the printing and distribution of all amendments to THE CODE made from time to time.
3. To perform such other duties as may be assigned to them from time to time by the Grand Lodge. They may transact their business by correspondence.

Submitted by:

William L. Mills III, Junior Grand Warden

Amendment Group 10

The amendments in this group are intended to allow lodges to have fundraisers for their own benefit, not only for the benefit of charity.

Amend Regulation 77-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 77-1 MINIMUM DUES. Each lodge shall fix in its by-laws and collect such annual dues as may be necessary to enable it to provide routine maintenance and repairs and discharge all of its duties, obligations and recurring operational expenses, according to the annual budget submitted by its Committee on Finance and Budget and adopted by the lodge. (61-3.2). The annual dues shall, in addition to being sufficient for these needs, further provide an amount adequate to establish and increase a Subordinate Lodge General Fund. Such General Fund to serve primarily as an aid toward meeting such extra-ordinary needs as may arise. Provided, that no such lodge shall fix such annual dues at less than twelve dollars. (5-2.2)

Amend Regulation 77-8 to read as follows:

REGULATION 77-8 NO OTHER LEVIES OR ASSESSMENTS. A lodge shall not levy or collect an assessment upon its members for any purpose. Funds to purchase real estate, to build or repair a lodge hall, to furnish a lodge room, or to pay debts incurred in any such undertakings may be contributed voluntarily or collected as dues, in accordance with Regulation 77-1 (as amended). Additionally, such funds may be supplemented by fund raising activities, either private or public, providing those endeavors are in conformity with Regulation 43-12.3 A.B.C. (D. added) and in conformity with applicable Federal, State, and local tax codes and operating standards. (43-3.17; 85-1)

Amend Regulation 43-12.3 Adding sub-section D.

REGULATION 43-12.3 ADDING SUB-SECTION D. As participation in any such activity in which the participant receives any product, service, or entertainment is **NON-TAX DEDUCTIBLE** for the recipient, a notation to that effect must appear on all announcements, advertisements, publications, tickets, and signs. The intended beneficial purpose of each activity must be clearly stated thereon. This sub-section (D) applies to fund raising activities for a lodge's own benefit as well as for Masonic charity. (43-12.7)

Submitted by:

Harold Edwards, Master

Steele Creek Lodge No. 737

Amendment Group 11

This amendment would do away with the per capita exemption for 50-year members. The Committee on Finance has decided to withdraw this amendment at Annual Communication 2000.

Amend Regulation 20-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 20-1. ESTABLISHED. Each lodge, including lodges under dispensation, shall pay annually to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Lodge, the sums hereinafter specified.

1. The sum of ten dollars for each member of the lodge at low twelve December thirty-first.

Submitted by:

Committee on Finance

Amendment Group 12

These amendments would change the way we currently set per capita. We currently pick a figure and adopt it. The proposed method would have us adopt a budget and then divide its total by the number of Masons in our jurisdiction. That figure would be per capita for that fiscal year.

Amend Regulation 20-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 20-1. HOW ESTABLISHED. Each lodge, including lodges under dispensation, shall pay annually to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Lodge, the sums hereinafter specified.

1. The amount established by the Grand Lodge as the per capita tax for the current year at the annual communication held the preceding calendar year for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first. A lodge shall be exempt from the payment of the annual assessment to the Grand Lodge for any member who has received either the Fifty-Year or Sixty-Year Service Award. [5-1.1; 20-1; 81-1; 81-7].

Amend Regulation 34-5.3 to read as follows:

REGULATION 34-5.3. Obsolete

Submitted by:

Committee on Finance

Amendment Group 13

This amendment would raise per capita from \$10 to \$12.00. It would not change the budget process.

Amend Regulation 20-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 20-1. ESTABLISHED. Each lodge, including lodges under dispensation, shall pay annually to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the

Grand Lodge, the sums hereinafter specified.

1. The sum of twelve dollars for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first. A lodge shall be exempt from the payment of the annual assessment to the Grand Lodge for any member who has received either the Fifty-Year or Sixty-Year Service Award. [5-1.1; 20-1; 81-1; 81-7].

Submitted by:

Committee on Finance

Amendment Group 14

These amendments would add the deacons, marshal, and stewards to the elective offices of the Grand Lodge. They are currently appointed. It would also allow nominations for all offices by a Nominating Committee or from the floor of Annual Communication.

Amend Regulation 11-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 11-1 OFFICERS. The elective and appointive officers of the Grand Lodge, their ranks, designations, and titles shall be as follows:

1. The elective grand officers, each of whom shall be installed in his own proper person and not by proxy, shall be as follows: [12-6; 12-9].

RANK DESIGNATION	TITLE
1. Grand Master	Most Worshipful
2. Deputy Grand Master	Right Worshipful
3. Senior Grand Warden	Right Worshipful
4. Junior Grand Warden	Right Worshipful
5. Grand Treasurer	Right Worshipful
6. Grand Secretary	Right Worshipful
7. Senior Grand Deacon	Right Worshipful
8. Junior Grand Deacon	Right Worshipful
9. Grand Marshal	Right Worshipful
10. Senior Grand Steward	Right Worshipful
11. Junior Grand Steward	Right Worshipful

2. The appointed grand officer who shall be installed either in person or by proxy is as follows: [12-6; 17-1; 17-2; 17-4].

- 1. Grand Tyler** **Worshipful**

3. The appointed grand officers who shall not be installed are as follows:
[17-5; 17-6; 17-7; 17-8; 17-9.1].

1. Grand Chaplain	Worshipful
2. Grand Historian	Worshipful
3. Grand Lecturer	Worshipful
4. Grand Orator	Worshipful
5. Judge Advocate	Worshipful

Amend Regulation 12-1 to read as follows:

REGULATION 12-1 MANNER OF ELECTION. At each annual communication of the Grand Lodge there shall be elected by nomination from the Grand Lodge nominating committee and from the floor (Regulation 27-1.3R) a Grand Master, a Deputy Grand Master, a Senior Grand Warden, a Junior Grand Warden, a Grand Treasurer, a Grand Secretary, a Senior Grand Deacon, a Junior Grand Deacon, a Grand Marshal, a Senior Grand Steward, and a Junior Grand Steward by written ballot. [11-5.2; 11-5.3; Chapter 19; 27-1.3R; 34-23)].

Amend Regulation 27-1.3 (R) by adding:

REGULATION 27-1.3 (R). Grand Lodge Officers Nominating Committee (34-28)

Amend Chapter 34 by adding:

REGULATION 34-23. Officers Nominating Committee. The Grand Master shall appoint a Grand Lodge Officers Nominating Committee of three members, one member to serve for three years, one member to serve for two years and one member to serve for one year. The Grand Master shall appoint one member in each ensuing year to replace the third year member as his term expires. The third year member will serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to place in nomination one person for each elective office in Regulation 11 - 1.1 of *The Code*. The presiding officer shall call for further nominations from the floor of the Grand Lodge three times with a pause after each. If he hears no further nominations, he will declare the nomination for the office closed. If there are more than two nominations for any office and the office is not filled on the first ballot, only the two receiving the most votes on the first ballot may proceed in the balloting. No vote is to be reported for a person not nominated. (Regulation 12-2)

Submitted by:

James B. McLaughlin, Senior Warden

Mint Hill Lodge No. 742

Amendment Group 15

This amendment would allow lodges to set their dues at a certain level plus whatever Grand Lodge per capita is at the time. Currently dues are set at a flat rate. This would allow lodges to maintain the same income level regardless of Grand Lodge per capita rate.

Amend Chapter 44-7, Article 10, Section 1 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 44-7, ARTICLE 10, SECTION 1. The annual membership dues in this lodge shall be _____ dollars (\$) plus Grand Lodge per capita tax as specified in regulation 20-1.1 of *The Code* which each member shall pay in advance on or before the first day of January each year.

Note: An amendment to Section 1 of this article shall not become effective until January first next following the date it is approved by the committee on by-laws of subordinate lodges: (77-2; 7-3).

Submitted by:

James B. McLaughlin, Senior Warden

Mint Hill Lodge No. 742

Amendment Group 16

These amendments would allow North Carolina Masons to simultaneously belong to two lodges in the state. Currently you may join a second in-state lodge only if you are a chartering member of a new lodge.

Amend Regulation 52-5 to read as follows:

REGULATION 52-5 DUAL MEMBERS. Except on the formation of a new lodge, no lodge shall admit to membership any brother who is already a member of two lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction, but may accept his application for affiliation pursuant to Chapter 75. A member of a lodge in another Grand Jurisdiction, which does not forbid dual membership, may affiliate with a lodge in North Carolina without having to relinquish his membership.

Amend Regulation 75-17 to read as follows:

REGULATION 75-17 DUAL MEMBERSHIP. Except on the formation of a new lodge, no lodge shall admit to membership any brother who is already a member of two lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Amend Regulation 86-2.49 to read as follows:

REGULATION 86-2.49. For a member of this Grand Jurisdiction to hold active, or regular membership in more than two lodges at the same time in violation of Regulations 52.5 or 17.17 (81-1).

Submitted by:

John Huske Anderson Lodge No. 731

Final Report of The Board of General Purposes

(Docket No. 55)

The following report of the Board of General Purposes was read and adopted including the election of the members of the Board of Directors of The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, Inc. and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of General Purposes has held regular meetings pursuant to the provisions of *The Code*, such meetings having been held on June 6th, 1998; September 25th, 1998; January 15th, 1999; March 18th, 1999; and April 8th, 1999.

The June meeting was held at Waynesville Lodge No. 259, Waynesville. The September meeting at Statesville Lodge No. 27, Statesville; the January meeting was held in the Grand Lodge Executive Office Building, Raleigh, North Carolina; the March meeting at the Wilmington Scottish Rite, Wilmington; and the April meeting was held at the Charlotte Hilton Hotel, Charlotte, North Carolina. The September meeting was held at Scottish Rite Temple, Charlotte, North Carolina.

At each meeting of the Board, reports were made by the Grand Master, the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, the President of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., and by other members of the Board of General Purposes relative to the various activities of the Grand Lodge.

At the meeting on April 8, 1999, action was taken relative to the distribution of the Report of the Grand Master, the several sections of the same being referred to the appropriate Board, Committee, or Commission.

Election Of Members Of The Board Of Directors Of The Masonic Home For Children At Oxford, Inc.

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulations 27-04, the Board nominates the following members of the Boards of Directors of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, Inc., with terms expiring as shown:

- 2002 - Thomas Olin Eller (283)
- 2002 - Luther D. Starling Jr. (98)
- 2002 - R. Thomas Dooley Jr. (738)
- 2002 - William H. Lowden (1)

William L. Mills III, junior grand warden-elect as an observer
The nominations were unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

**Election Of Members Of The Board Of Directors
Of The Masonic And Eastern Star Home
Of North Carolina, Inc.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulations 27-04.1, the Board nominates the following members of the Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc., with terms expiring as shown:

- 2002 - Angus W. Mercer (728)
- 2002 - Charles Eugene Shope (446)
- 2002 - Fred L. Sherrill Jr., (709)
- 2002 - Charles E. Morris (618)

William L. Mills III, junior grand warden-elect as an observer

The nominations were unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

Board Of General Purposes

The Grand Master nominates Lester P. Martin Jr., PGM (134) and Robert E. Gresham, (703) as members of the Board of General Purposes for terms of three (3) years expiring in 2002. The Grand Master-elect also nominates Lewis R. Ledford (27) to fill the unexpired term expiring in 2001.

The nominations were unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

**Representative To The
George Washington Masonic
National Memorial Association**

The Grand Master-elect nominates Thomas W. Gregory, PGM (27) as Representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

The nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

**Representative To The Masonic
Masonic Service Association**

The Grand Master-elect nominates L. R. Thomas Jr. (568) as Representative to the Masonic Service Association.

The nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

**Election Of Member Of The Board of Directors
Of The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 35-1.1, the Grand Master-elect nominates James G. Martin (31) as a member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc. for a term of five (5) years, expiring 2004.

The nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

**Election Of Trustees Of
The Drewry Memorial Grand Secretary's Fund**

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 35-1.1, the Grand Master-elect nominates James G. Lassiter (735), and Cameron E. Shearon (40) as Trustees of the Drewry Memorial Grand Secretary's Fund.

The nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

Board Of Custodians

The Grand Master-elect appoints William L. Dill (3), and James E. Vann (1) as members of the Board of Custodians for terms of three (3) years, expiring in 2002.

Committee On Appeals

The Grand Master-elect nominates Walter F. McCall, PGM (530) as a member of the Committee on Appeals for a term of five (5) years, expiring in 2004.

The Grand Master-elect nominates John R. Litaker (738) as a member of the Committee on Appeals for unexpired term of expiring in 2002.

The nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

Committee On Masonic Education

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulations 20-1, as amended April 1998, the Grand Master-elect appoints the following members of the Committee on Masonic Education, with terms expiring as shown:

2002 - David E. Webb (724)

2002 - Daniel P. Weatherington (712)

2002 - Michael A. Brooks (711)

Committee On Subordinate Lodge Special Activities

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 32-1, the Board nominates the following members of the Committee on Subordinate Lodge Special Activities, with terms expiring as shown:

2001 - G. Glenn Adams (515)

2002 - J. Clark Brewer (708)

The nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

Election Of Members Of The Committee On Masonic Jurisprudence

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 34-1, the Grand Master-elect nominates the following members of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence for terms expiring as shown:

2002 - M. Gregory Whitfield (496)

2002 - Jimmie B. Hicks (3)

2002 - Richard G. Moore, PGM (544)

2002 - Robert C. Kraus (145)

2001 - J. Gilbert Moore (708)

The nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

Election Of Members Of The Committee On Finance

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 34-3, the Grand Master-elect nominates the following members of the Committee on Finance for terms expiring as shown:

2002 - Dan C. Rice (409)

2002 - R. Phil Pressley, PM (118)

2002 - Daniel R. Bishop (708)

2000 - Alan W. Madsen (261)

The nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

Officers Appointed By The Grand Master-Elect

Jerry R. Tillett (521)	Senior Grand Warden
Charles A. Lewis Jr. (1)	Junior Grand Warden
Leonard Y. Safrit Jr. (109)	Grand Marshall
Graham W. Pervier (707)	Grand Steward

To Be Announced	Grand Steward
K. Patrick Bell (13)	Grand Tyler
James H. Bailey (708)	Grand Chaplain
Clarence E. Horton Jr. (695)	Grand Historian
Daniel M. Hogue Jr. (576)	Grand Lecturer
Lacy H. Thornburg (459)	Grand Orator

The Board Of Publication Of The North Carolina Mason

On nomination, duly seconded, Benjamin F. Smith Jr. (117) was elected by the Board of General Purposes as a member of the Board of Publication for a term of five (5) years, expiring in 2004.

District Deputy Grand Masters

The Grand Master-elect appointed 65 District Deputy Grand Masters to serve the 65 Masonic Districts of North Carolina for the Masonic year 1999-2000.

(Note: For a list of District Deputy Grand Masters, see Page 22 of these *Proceedings*.)

Labor Dispensed With

The Deputy Grand Master announced that the installation of the Grand Lodge officers would be held at 2:30 P.M. on Saturday, April 10, 1999 in the Oasis Shrine Center, Charlotte, North Carolina by Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory.

Introduction To The Ceremony

As an introduction to the ceremony, Thomas W. Gregory, PGM, made the following remarks.

Allegato & Sayanara

As is the case with every outgoing grand master, I have some people to thank. Marilyn, my wife of almost 27 years, has supported me throughout our marriage, but especially during my time in the Grand Lodge line. I could not have had a better partner during those years. Had it not been for these past eight years, we would not likely have known any of you who are Grand Lodge officers or your spouses. Our lives are richer because of those friendships.

To my friends who are here today, thank you—I know it has not been easy to support me these past 12 months. The issues of the day have been emotional ones, and I know some of you have received harsh criticism as a result.

To my foes who are here today, thank you—you've made me a better man, a better Mason. As I traveled across the state, and spoke to the issues of racism and racial divisiveness, I saw myself in the eyes of men who are filled with hatred for their fellow man. I've got a long way to go, but over these last twelve months, this rough ashler got a bit smoother.

Walt Clapp, Ric Carter, and the staff at the Grand Lodge office were a pleasure to work with—I owe them a debt of gratitude. Thank you all.

Charles Ingram and I were both appointed by Most Worshipful Lester P. Martin, and as a result, we have had a common bond. Though we have sometimes disagreed, we have the same aspirations for Masonry in North Carolina—Charles will take us a few steps closer to where we need to be as

a Fraternity the Grand Lodge officers are a fine assortment of personalities.

All good, dedicated Masons—they will no doubt give their best effort to the Craft. Masonry is unique—I've been blessed by my membership in this organization. It has given me far more than I could ever repay.

Charles—you're about to begin a journey unlike any you have ever taken—I want to leave you with a few lines of poetry from Edna St. Vincent Millay:

"My candle burns at both ends;
it will not last the night;
but oh, my foes,
and oh my friends
it gives a lovely light."

Congratulations Charles—I know you'll have an outstanding year, and I know you'll be a great Grand Master!

Open Installation Of Officers

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 2:30 P.M. on Saturday, April 10, 1999 in the Oasis Shrine Center, Charlotte, North Carolina by Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory.

The following officers were duly installed in a ceremony of open installation by Brother Thomas W. Gregory, PGM Installing officer, assisted by Brother Bunn T. Phillips, PGM as grand marshal. Brother Victor S. Dowd was the installing chaplain, and Brother D. Windell Cunningham was music director.

Grand Master	Charles Marshall Ingram Kenansville (13)
Deputy Grand Master	Charles Edward Cathey Canton (472)
Senior Grand Warden	William Lee Mills III Concord (32)
Junior Grand Warden	William Graham Mathis Rocky Point (138)
Grand Treasurer	Clifton White Everett Jr., PGM Greenville (708)
Grand Secretary	T. Walton Clapp II Raleigh (237)
Senior Grand Deacon	Jerry Reginald Tillet Manteo (521)
Junior Grand Deacon	Charles Albert Lewis Jr. Wilmington (1)
Grand Marshal	Leonard Yearby Safrit Jr. Beaufort (109)
Grand Steward	Graham Wiles Pervier Winston-Salem (707)
Grand Steward	Gene T. Jernigan Dunn (206)

Grand Tyler	Kenneth P. Bell Kenansville (13)
Grand Chaplain	James H. Bailey Raleigh (708)

Past Grand Master's Jewel Presented

A Past Grand Master's Jewel was presented to Past Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory by Past Grand Master William H. Simpson.

Installation Remarks

Grand Master Charles Marshall Ingram

Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Right Worshipful Grand Lodge Officers, Worshipful Brethren, and Friends:

I want to thank each and every one of you for joining us here this afternoon for this ceremony. I greatly appreciate your attendance, and I am deeply moved by your presence.

Time will not permit me to recognize everyone here, and any speaker who attempts to recognize a few people always runs the risk of insulting someone who was not mentioned or hurting their feelings.

However, I feel that I absolutely must acknowledge some who are present.

First, my family:

Carolyn's mother, Evelyn Dotson Burnette, and her step-father, J. Edwin Burnette, from Lake Junaluskee, in Haywood County.

Edwin's daughter, Margaret Ann Taylor, from Knoxville, Tennessee.

Her son, Marty Murphy, also from Knoxville.

Carolyn's father, Herbert Whitney Burnette Jr., from Asheville.

Her brother, Richard W. Burnette, and his wife, Betty Jean, from Hendersonville. Their daughters, our beloved nieces, Kristen and Megan, could not be with us this afternoon, because they had to work, and we all recognize that college students need all the money that they can earn.

My cousin, Brigadier General and Fellow Craft William M. ("Bill") Ingram, of Raleigh, and his daughter, Jennifer Maddry.

My cousin, Dr. Elizabeth Ingram Bauereis, and her husband, David, from the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Now, some special friends, in chronological order:

Edwin L. Lewis, one of my two best friends throughout high school, and his wife, Ann, from here in Charlotte.

Dr. William S. Powell, the noted author and professor of North Carolina History, under whom I studied at Chapel Hill, and his wife, Virginia.

My college fraternity brother, John S. Willardson, from North Wilkesboro.

Another fraternity brother, William ("Bill") Johnson, and his wife, June, from Mocksville.

Next, friends who we have met through my service in the Naval Reserve:

Our very dear and special friends, Captain John P. Huggard, who is a professor at North Carolina State University, and his wife, Jennifer, from Raleigh.

Captain William H. ("Bill") Watson, and his wife, Nicki, from Greenville. During World War II, Bill commanded an LST, which is an amphibious

landing ship, and later transferred to the Judge Advocate General's Corps in the Naval Reserve. It will interest you to know that Bill and his son, Billy, also a Naval Reserve Captain, decided that they wanted to join our fraternity, and they both were raised just last month. Congratulations, brethren, and welcome!

Captain Michael Deddish and his wife, Nancy, from Charleston, South Carolina.

Rear Admiral Harold E. ("Rick") Grant, and his wife, Katherine, from Tallahassee, Florida. Admiral Grant is the recently retired Judge Advocate General of the Navy.

And Rear Admiral John P. Hutson, and his wife, Paula, from Washington, DC. Admiral Hutson is the current Judge Advocate General of the Navy, having succeeded Admiral Grant.

As you might expect, the law has played a vital role in the lives of Carolyn and me.

We are honored to have with us Professor and Mrs. Richard Bell, from Winston-Salem. Professor Bell taught Carolyn at the Wake Forest University School of Law, and since has advised us on the intricacies of the Uniform Commercial Code in several cases that we have had.

William C. ("Chris") Blossom, from Wallace, who is one of our fellow members of the Duplin County Bar, and who has served as one of my mentors and Carolyn's co-counsel in a number of cases.

We also are extremely pleased to have with us some of Carolyn's very special friends, who now are my special friends also:

Deanna Beck Jaugstetter, and her husband, Pat, from Atlanta. Deanna was one of Carolyn's closest friends in high school.

Nancy Brooks, from Asheville, also one of Carolyn's closest friends in high school, and her roommate during four years at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Nancy Dexter, also from Asheville, who was one of Carolyn's closest friends at UNCG.

The "two Nancys," as we call them, assisted with our wedding.

And, now, some friends from home:

Ray and Joyce Bell, of Kenansville, the parents of our new Grand Tyler.

Jerry and Jill Adams, from Warsaw. Jill is an extremely talented artist, and she has painted the portrait of me that will be unveiled at my Lodge later this year.

Rolf and Ashley Blizzard, of Raleigh. Rolf's father and I went through all twelve years of school together, and Carolyn and I watched Rolf grow up in Kenansville. He is a fine, fine young man. As you know, we have no children, but we have said that if we had a son, we would want him to be like Rolf Blizzard and Eric Grant, the son of Rick and Katherine Grant who I recognized earlier. Rolf now works with our Brother Marc Basnight, who is President *Pro Tempore* of the North Carolina Senate, and, to paraphrase Charles Dickens, he is a man of "great expectations!"

I also want to express a special thank-you to the members of my Lodge, Saint John's No. 4, in Kenansville, and the members of the other Lodges in the 12th Masonic District. Carolyn and I recognize that Charlotte is quite a distance from home, and that it was a sacrifice for you to remain here to assist us with this installation. We want you to know that you have honored us with your presence, and are deeply appreciative.

I will not attempt to recognize all of the District Deputy Grand Masters individually, but would you please stand brethren?

North Carolina is a big state, and for the better leadership of our Order

it has been divided into 65 Masonic Districts. These men serve as the personal representatives of the Grand Master in their respective Districts.

Although they already have great responsibilities and play a vital role in the leadership of our fraternity, we are going to endeavor to enhance their positions even more this year. We are going to place even greater responsibilities on them, and require even more of them. Brethren, we know that you are up to the task, and we greatly appreciate your service and your contributions.

Will the District Deputy Grand Lecturers please stand and be recognized?

An integral part of Freemasonry is the improvement of our members, both morally and spiritually, through the conferring of degrees. These degrees teach the lessons, and convey the principles for which we stand, through the use of allegory. The drama of all of this is greatly enhanced because all of it is accomplished by memory.

Those few men who have learned all of our ritual by heart are designated certified lecturers. One of them is selected to serve as Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge, and others of them are appointed as district deputy grand lecturers in their respective districts.

We are very dependent upon them, and in fact could not accomplish our objectives without them. They conduct our Schools of Instruction, and also conduct our Lecture Service. Thank you, brethren. We also intend to enhance your office this year, to give you more support, and to call on you even more.

When a man is appointed to junior grand steward, he is welcomed to the "Grand Lodge Family." Although the entire fraternity is one family, there is a special bond which develops among those who serve in the progressive line, culminating in election as Grand Master.

I am reminded of the story about the man who was tarred and feathered, and ridden out of town on a rail. When someone asked him about it, he replied that he didn't think much of it, except for the honor of the thing!

I can assure you that every man who is elected by his brothers to serve as Grand Master is awed by "the honor of the thing." However, as great as that honor is, one of the greatest rewards is the privilege to work with, to get to know, and grow to love a group who are absolutely the finest people on the face of God's green earth.

Brothers—Most Worshipful Sirs—we are honored by your presence here this afternoon.

Most Worshipful Samuel Andrew ("Sam") Hennis Jr., and his wife, Sis, from North Wilkesboro. Sam was grand master for the Masonic year 1965-1966.

Most Worshipful Robert Norman ("Bob") Bass, and his wife, Kat, from Raleigh. Bob was elected grand master in 1968.

Most Worshipful Stephen Franklin Noble Jr., and his wife, Francis, from New Bern. Frank was grand master in 1975-1976.

Most Worshipful Leslie Holland Garner, from Greenville. Les served as grand master from 1976 to 1977. Les lost his beautiful wife, Evelyn, last year. We all loved her, and we all miss her. She was one of the sweetest women I have ever met.

Most Worshipful Ava Clarence ("Jack") Honeycutt, and his wife, Marguerite, from Raleigh. Jack was elected grand master in 1982.

Most Worshipful Cecil Johnson Liverman, and his wife, Hazel, from Murfreesboro. Cecil served as grand master from 1983-1984.

Most Worshipful Norburn Creighton Hyatt, and his wife, Martha, from

Candler, up in Buncombe County. Norburn was grand master for the 1985-1986 Masonic year.

Most Worshipful Walter Franklin ("Bud") McCall, and his wife, Martha, from here in Charlotte. Bud was elected grand master in 1986.

Most Worshipful Lee Roy ("Pete") Thomas, and his wife, Jean, also from New Bern. Pete served as grand master from 1988 to 1989.

Most Worshipful Bunn Tate Phillips Jr.,—my installing marshal—and his wife, Virginia, from Rockingham. Bunn was grand master for the 1990-1991 Masonic year.

Most Worshipful Lester Poindexter Martin Jr., and his wife, Elizabeth, from Mocksville. Lester served as grand master from 1991 to 1992. Since he is the one who appointed me to the Grand Lodge line, Lester is known as my "Masonic Father." We now know that it actually was Elizabeth who appointed me, so we delight in referring to her as my "Masonic Mother." "Dad" loves to say that he can thank the Commonwealth of Virginia for giving him the "father of his country, and the mother of his sons."

Most Worshipful Ray Norris, and his wife, Jean, from Hendersonville. Ray was elected grand master in 1992.

Most Worshipful Richard Groves ("Rick") Moore, and his wife, Marie, from nearby Denver, over in Lincoln County. Rick was grand master for the 1993-1994 Masonic year.

Most Worshipful and Doctor William Bailey Brunk, and his wife, Sharyn, from Raleigh. Bill served as grand master from 1994 to 1995. Bill is an orthodontist, and recently was named as the new Sovereign Grand Inspector General for North Carolina. In that capacity, he is the head of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry here.

Most Worshipful and Judge Clifton White Everett Jr., and his wife, Mary, also from Greenville. Cliff was elected grand master in 1995, and now is serving as grand treasurer. Although he now earns his livelihood as a Superior Court judge, his real calling is as a teller of tales, or "stow-ries," as he calls them, complete with impersonations and sound effects. Cliff is quite a *raconteur*, and there never is a dull moment when he is around.

Most Worshipful William Henry ("Bill") Simpson, and his wife, Marian, from Greensboro. Bill served as grand master from 1996 to 1997, and was grand orator this past year. His message yesterday morning was one of the most powerful and moving speeches I have ever heard.

Most Worshipful Gerry Theodore Smith, and his wife, Becky, from Morehead City. Gerry was elected grand master in 1997.

And Most Worshipful Thomas Warren Gregory, and his wife, Marilyn, from Statesville. Tom was grand master this past year. I would like to say a few special words about Tom and Marilyn.

As a result of the untimely death of Senior Grand Warden Willett R. Tillet, the father of our new senior grand deacon, Judge Jerry R. Tillet, in 1990, there were vacancies for two grand stewards in 1991. Because Tom and I both were appointed to the Grand Lodge line by Grand Master Lester Martin—"Dad"—at the same time, we have shared a special bond and have developed a special relationship.

That special relationship most often has consisted of me espousing my latest ideas about Grand Lodge leadership, and of Tom sitting there quietly listening. Tom does not have much to say, but I have learned that he is like the television commercial for the stockbroker E. F. Hutton—when he speaks, people listen. People listen because when Tom speaks, he has something intelligent to say.

We were confronted by several issues this past year which generated a great deal of controversy. That controversy was not of our making, but we

had to deal with it. And Tom Gregory, as grand master, dealt with it manfully. He faced it straight-on, and navigated us through it in a skillful and loving manner. He was criticized, and I know that must have been hurtful, because Tom is one of the most sincere and dedicated men, and finest Masons, I have ever known. But he held his head high, and he conducted himself in the most Masonic manner.

I am reminded of the beloved poem, "If," by the famous English poet and author, and our Brother, Rudyard Kipling. I think that the following verses well reflect Tom Gregory:

*If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies;
Or, being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;*

*If you can dream—and not make dreams your
master;
If you can think—and not make thoughts your
aim;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to broken,
And stoop and build'em up with worn out tools;*

*If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings—nor lose the common touch;
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you;
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run—
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!*

Tom, you're a fine man, and a fine Mason. It has been my great pleasure to serve with you. You always have extended to me every courtesy, and you have given me every consideration, especially this past year, as I was preparing for the office of grand master. You have taught me a great deal, and you will have my undying gratitude, respect and love.

You have my every wish for what we in the Navy refer to as "fair winds and following seas." I hope that you enjoy your cigars during your trip to the river next weekend, and that you catch a lot of fish. You have earned some "R&R," or "rest and relaxation."

Right Worshipful Charles Edward Cathey, and his wife, Ava Jean, who reside in the Bethel community of Haywood County. Charlie will be serving as deputy grand master this year. At many of our meetings, he provides us some of the most moving prayers.

Right Worshipful and Doctor William Lee Mills III, and his wife, Sherrie, from Concord, where he practices law. William is our new senior grand warden, and is the son of the late Bill Mills Jr., who was grand master in 1974-1975. Although I have not researched the question in depth, this is

the only situation of which I am aware in which both a father and son have served in the Grand Lodge line.

Right Worshipful William Graham Mathis, and his wife, DeVonna, from Rocky Point, in Pender County, just north of Wilmington. A retired airline pilot and captain, Bill is our new junior grand warden.

Right Worshipful Theophilus Walton Clapp III, and his wife, Betty. Walt served for several years as an assistant, and was elevated to the office of grand secretary upon the retirement of Pete Dudley in 1996.

Worshipful and Doctor Jerry Reginald Tillett, and his wife, Tanya, from Manteo. As I mentioned a few minutes ago, Jerry is the son of our late Brother Willett R. Tillett, who died in office as senior grand warden in 1990. After practicing law for several years, Jerry was appointed a Superior Court judge, and will be our senior grand deacon this year.

Worshipful and Doctor Charles Albert Lewis Jr., and his wife, Helga, from Wilmington. Charlie is an award-winning professor at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, and is our junior grand deacon.

Worshipful Leonard Yearby Safrit Jr., and his wife, Sarah Jo, from Beaufort. Leonard is a very successful business man, and will be our grand marshal this year.

Worshipful Graham Wiles Pervier, and his wife, Karen, from Winston-Salem. Graham is the County Manager for Forsyth County, and is our senior grand steward. As a result of his promotion from junior grand steward last year, he now is engaged in rewriting his book, *My Year in the Grand Lodge*. That is an inside joke, and I know that it is impolite to do that, but just ask me about it, and I'll be glad to explain.

Worshipful Gene Tart Jernigan, and his wife, Charlla. It's kind of difficult to explain just where Gene is from. Although he lives in Sampson County, he has a Dunn mailing address.

Since you probably have never heard of Midway, I will let it suffice to say that he lives near Spivey's Corner. I know that all of you have heard of Spivey's Corner because of its famous annual Hollerin' Contest. However, Gene assures me that he never has participated in the hollering contest.

Gene is my appointment as our new junior grand steward. Gene and I were classmates at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill—"THE University of North Carolina!" I did not know him personally back then, but I immediately recognized him when I saw him some 20 or so years later at a district masonic meeting.

As president of Bemco Mattress Company in Dunn, Gene is a successful business man. He brings a wealth of talent and expertise to our Grand Lodge. More importantly, he is a fine, Christian gentleman. I know that he will make us a great grand master.

All of these men who are serving in the Line today will make us great grand masters. We have—in my opinion—the strongest and best-qualified group of men who have served together at any one time. I also think that we have the greatest consensus that I have seen in my progress through the chairs, and I am confident that the continuity of purpose and programs will inure to the benefit of our Grand Lodge and our fraternity.

The Reverend Doctor James H. Bailey has agreed to serve as grand chaplain this year. In June, Jim is retiring from the pastorate of the United Methodist Church on Ridge Road in Raleigh, and will be relocating to Wrightsville Beach. Jim, I greatly appreciate your willingness to serve as my grand chaplain, and I look forward to working with you.

Worshipful K. Patrick Bell, and his wife, Mary, from Kenansville. Patrick has the unfortunate distinction of being my next-door neighbor. As such, he frequently gets called upon to feed our cats when Carolyn and I are

away overnight on Masonic trips. He currently is serving as junior warden of our Lodge, Saint John's No. 13, in Kenansville.

Although he has not been a member very long, Patrick is a very enthusiastic and dedicated Mason. It was my honor to appoint him as our new grand tyler. Patrick—and Mary—thank you for all that you do for Carolyn and me. I am looking forward to having you, Patrick, chauffeur the "Grand Limousine" for me during my Masonic travels this year.

I also want to thank my installing officers.

Most Worshipful Bill Brunk and Most Worshipful Bunn Phillips already have been recognized.

Worshipful Snodie B. Wilson is secretary of my lodge in Kenansville.

The Reverend and Worshipful Victor S. Dowd is a retired Baptist Minister, who now resides at our Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro.

Worshipful D. Windell Cunningham, from here in Charlotte, has entertained us and regaled us with his talents for many years. Windell provides the music to cover the interludes between our business during our Annual Communications. Although he long has been called our grand organist, this year I determined to make it official, and he now carries that title.

I also would like to thank those who have participated in making this installation very special to me.

The Oasis Temple Highlanders, who provided the music for the procession. To Captain Paul Webb and all of you brethren, a hearty "thank you."

Doctor Corbett L. Quinn, of Magnolia, is the retired State Surgeon of the North Carolina Army National Guard. Since I was a mere lad in 1962, he has been my personal physician, until his retirement from his family practice. Corbett now has been contracted by the State to attend to the medical needs of the prisoners in three or four of our prisons. Corbett, I can assure you that if you continue to limit your practice in such a manner, I hope never to be your patient again!

Although long a member, Corbett has become active in Freemasonry since his retirement, and currently is serving as senior deacon of his lodge, Rehoboth No. 279, in Rose Hill. Corbett, you always present the Toast to the Flag with such feeling and sincerity. You are a true patriot and a treasured friend, and I admire and appreciate you a great deal.

Brother Walter J. Klein, a member of Excelsior Lodge No. 261, and Worshipful Brother Paul L. Whitfield, a past master of Meridian Lodge No. 728, both here in Charlotte, are gentlemen who I previously have known only by reputation. However, I was very impressed by what I knew about them, and their dedication to Freemasonry. Carolyn and I thank both of you brothers for assisting us with the scripture lessons this afternoon.

Worshipful W. Dennis Combs, is a past master of LaFayette Lodge No. 83, in Jacksonville, and a past district deputy grand master of the 9th Masonic District. I have gotten to know Brother Dennis through our membership in National Sojourners, an organization for Masons with military service. Dennis, I always am deeply moved by your recitations, and your rendition of "When Is A Man A Mason?" is one of your most meaningful. Thank you again for sharing it with us today.

Mrs. Helen Collie, of Louisburg, is the wife of Brother Thomas Collie, and she currently is serving as the associate grand matron of the Order of the Eastern Star in North Carolina. For the past three years, Sister Helen and I have enjoyed working together on the Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro.

Helen led the singing at one of our worship services a couple of years ago. I knew that she had a beautiful voice, and I wanted to ask her to

participate in my installation. However, not knowing if it was within her repertoire or range, it was with a great amount of trepidation that I asked if she could sing "The Impossible Dream." I was greatly relieved when she said that she could.

Helen and Windell are real troupers. With just a little practice, they were able to inspire us with that beautiful rendition. It was very moving, and exactly what I had hoped for and expected. Thank you again.

Sister Helen and I are what we in the Navy call "running mates," which means that we have enjoyed parallel careers in office. We have looked forward to serving together as the presiding officers of our respective orders. Helen, I've made it, and I know that you will, too. I look forward to your installation in Greensboro in June. Please let me know if there is anything that I can do to assist you. Just don't ask me to sing!

Brother Windell, I want to thank you again for the beautiful version of "I Vow to Thee My Country." Many of you will recognize it as one of the hymns played during the funeral service for Princess Diana in England last year. I think that it is absolutely beautiful—both the melody and the lyrics—and it now is one of my very favorites. Thank you again.

Grand Chaplain Jim Bailey, I want to thank you for your participation and for your anointing. I can assure you that during each day of my year as Grand Master, I will bear in mind the significance of that act, and I will sincerely endeavor to follow God's will and to do His work. Thank you again. I look forward to your continuing inspiration and guidance.

I want to thank the officers and members of Oasis Shrine Temple for allowing us to use your beautiful facility for our Annual Communication and this Installation. A lot of you who are not Masons may not realize that every Shriner is a Mason. We greatly appreciate your generosity and your display of true brotherly love.

I also want to extend my personal thanks to Brother Doyle Simmons, who is the potentate, or presiding officer, of Oasis Temple this year, and his wife, Kathey. I am sure that everyone will recognize that there are a myriad of details in trying to plan and hold an event like this one. Doyle and Kathey jumped right in and helped to ensure its success. Thank you again. Brother Doyle, I look forward to working with you this year for the benefit of both of our organizations. Please do not hesitate to call on me if there is anything that I can do for you.

Brother Calvin Gaddy is the recorder of Oasis Temple. His job is sort of like an executive director. He is the day-to-day administrator, and he is a true professional. Calvin, if Brother Doyle and Oasis can share you a little bit, I would like to harness some of your energy and expertise for the Grand Lodge.

Calvin's wife, Rebecca, planned the reception which we will enjoy shortly. Not only did she organize it, but she and Kathey Simmons did most of the decorating. I sneaked a little peak, and I know that it is beautiful. Thank you so very much.

Our Annual Communication usually is held in Raleigh, so most of us are on unfamiliar territory being here in Charlotte this year. Carolyn and I came down back in February in order to get a feel for the place. I had known Brother Calvin for some time, but I never had really worked with him.

Rebecca was visiting him at his office that day, and he "volunteered" her to help us with the reception. After talking with them for just a little while, we knew that we were in good hands, and that everything would be done to perfection.

Calvin and Rebecca, you both are true professionals, and that is the highest compliment that I know to give. Thank you again for helping to

ensure that this very special day will be one of the most memorable of our lives.

I also want to thank each and every one of you who are in attendance this afternoon.

I remember that when my dear friend, Dr. Powell, was honored with an award by the North Caroliniana Society in Chapel Hill a few years ago, he opened his remarks by quoting James Joyce's *Ulysses*: "I am a part of all that I have met."

I, too, am a part of all that I have met. And all that I have met is a part of me.

Each and every one of you, dear friends, is a part of me. I thank God for allowing you to be a part of my life, and I thank each and every one of you for joining us on this most special occasion.

I have saved the best for last. My wife, Carolyn.

I have been blessed in many ways. There have been several significant dates in my life thus far:

The day that I graduated from the University of North Carolina.

The day that I was commissioned as an officer in the United States Navy.

The day that I was sworn in as an attorney at law.

And, now, this honor today.

All of them have been great honors, and highly cherished and richly prized.

However, all of them pale by comparison to the day that I married Carolyn. Not only is she my law partner, my marriage partner, and my most trusted counsel, she is my best friend.

She is my harshest and most valued critic, but she also gives me my strongest encouragement.

When I float up into the clouds dreaming all of those "impossible dreams," it is Carolyn who grabs me by the shirt-tail and brings me back down to earth.

I absolutely could not function without her.

She has packed my suitcases, and followed after me, first on my Navy, and later on my Masonic, travels.

She has disinfected all of our motel rooms—she's quick on the draw with a can of Lysol.

She has ensured that I rose on time, laid out my underwear, and pressed my uniforms.

A wise person once observed that great marriages are made in Heaven. I have no doubt that the Supreme Architect of the Universe created Carolyn for me. With her deep religious faith and her selfless love, she has been my greatest inspiration.

Except for God, she is the most precious thing to me.

One of my favorite programs on television has been "Rumpole of the Bailey," which we have enjoyed on WUNC, our public station here in North Carolina.

Horace Rumpole, a disheveled but wily, and usually successful, barrister, practices his profession in the Old Bailey, the London criminal courts. He refers to his wife, Hilda, affectionately as "She who must be obeyed."

I think that Carolyn may be my Hilda, and soon must be obeyed.

After all of her travels and sacrifices, she has said, "Next year, it's my turn!"

I think she means it.

I know she has earned it.

I look forward to our travels together.

I look forward to spending the rest of my life with you.

I love you.

On an occasion such as this, I know that you will forgive me if I am moved to reminisce a little.

I noted earlier that I am a part of all that I have met. All of those things have melded together to make me the person that I am.

The little town of Kenansville where we live was an ideal place in which to grow up. Mine was an idyllic childhood. I knew everyone in town, and they knew me. It was almost like having an entire town of mommas and daddys. I dearly loved many of them, and I knew that they loved me. More importantly, I also knew that they expected me to behave myself and to try to make the best out of the talents which God had given me. That has been a great inspiration to me. I have been strongly motivated by my deep feeling of not wanting to disappoint any of them.

As a child, I used to play in the Court House. My daddy used to take me up there on election nights, where we could see and hear the vote counts being reported. I have an abiding interest in the process of government. Mine is a Jeffersonian view, in which every citizen tries to fulfill his responsibilities to his fellows. To me, the County Court House is the penultimate symbol of democracy, and it will ever be so.

I used to sneak into the balcony of the Court Room to observe the proceedings. My study of history showed me that the men and women who have made this country great usually were lawyers. I came to view the law as the greatest calling, except, of course, for the Church, and, perhaps, Medicine and teaching. I saw it as a way of serving my neighbors and helping them, and of ensuring that democracy and government of the people, by the people and for the people truly does work.

Call me naive. Call me idealistic. I will have to plead guilty to those charges. I have always wanted to be a lawyer. Or, at least for as long, as we lawyers say, as "the memory of man runneth not to the contrary."

I love the law. I love what I do. I am the most fortunate of men.

I also love to read. I love words. I think that love was instilled in me by my first grade teacher, Mrs. Louise Mitchell. Because of her encouragement, I have never seen a word that I could not pronounce. Now, I will have to admit that I may not pronounce them all correctly, but at least I can make an attempt at it.

I also love history, and research and writing. The seed of that love was planted in me by my experiences in my historic home town. And that love was nurtured by my eighth grade teacher, Mrs. Mattie Sadler. It was she who encouraged my creative streak by requiring me to write, and write, and write. Of course, in all honesty, a great deal of that writing was to work off demerits that I received for talking in class. Yes, I have always been a talker! Maybe that is why I am so perfectly suited for the law!

Other teachers have served to inspire me as well. Mrs. Jo Jones and Mrs. Pearl McGowan, both of whom taught me high school English, and both of whom encouraged me to read and write more.

Dr. William S. Geer, Dr. William S. Powell, and Dr. J. Isaac Copeland all encouraged me and inspired me during my studies at Chapel Hill.

The members of my lodge have inspired me. My father started taking me to the lodge for the open installations and lodge picnics when I was a small child. I always have been deeply impressed by the pictures of our past masters on the wall. Many of them were the leading attorneys, public officials and most respected citizens of my community.

I will never forget the evenings spent with my coaches, Charles L. ("Nick") Nicholson, our secretary, and Wilbert A. Jones, our degree director, as I learned my catechisms.

And who could forget Roy Dunn, my father, and Archie Benson as the three ruffians?

As a child, I attended a small country church, which my father had attended all his life. However, I developed a close relationship with The Reverend Lauren R. Sharpe, who taught me in the fifth grade. Rev. Sharpe spearheaded the organization of our volunteer fire department in the 1950s, served as mayor of our town for many years, and pastored the Kenansville Baptist Church. He also was a past master of our lodge, and later served several years as grand chaplain and grand orator of the Grand Lodge. When I became frustrated because things did not seem to be progressing as quickly as I thought they should, it was he who reminded me that "time, patience, and perseverance will accomplish all things!"

All of these events, and all of these things, and all of these people made a vivid impression on me and helped to make me the person that I am today.

However, the greatest influence in my formative years, and for much of my life, was my parents.

My mother was a homemaker. She was a professional wife and mother. Now, I do not mean to insult any of the women of today who seek fulfillment in other callings. But for many of the women of my mother's era, that was their God-given role. And she played it well.

It was my mother who nursed me through all of the sicknesses which I endured as a child. It was she who had my milk and cookies waiting for me each afternoon when I got home from school. She served as a grade mother, baking cupcakes for us to sell at school to raise money for one project or another, and assisting my teachers on school trips. It was my mother who sat patiently, listening to me and helping me memorize my parts for our Church and school plays.

As a member of the Sunday School, the Ladies' Auxiliary, and a Home Demonstration Club, she was willing to take her turn in leadership positions, but she was perfectly contented to leave that to others and to support them. She cooked, prepared and delivered more than her fair share of food when neighbors died and for the sick, the elderly, and the poor.

Later, when it was organized, she took great pride in and received great satisfaction from her membership in our local Hospital Auxiliary, volunteering to staff the information desk and to help with all of the myriad things that they did.

A few years ago I heard about a book entitled *Everything That I Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*. Well, we didn't have kindergarten in Kenansville when I was growing up. It was from my mother that I learned many of the things that I needed to know. Things that I needed to know in order to be a good citizen and a good friend.

Things like being ready when I was riding with others so that they would not have to wait for me. Things like being on time. Things like paying my own way. Things like washing my hands after going to the bathroom. Things like taking off my hat when I entered a building. Things like opening and holding the door for a lady. Things like letting others go first.

Things like respecting my elders and saying, "Yes ma'am," and "No ma'am." She instilled that in me so deeply that it is automatic with me. So deeply that since I have been an officer in the Navy, I occasionally have caught myself saying "ma'am" or "sir" to people who were subordinate to me, or holding the door open for people who were junior to me (when they should have been holding the door for me!).

From what I can observe, it appears that these lessons are not being taught to the young people of today. We all are forced to suffer as courtesy and manners and civility in public society continue to decline and diminish. It never ceases to amaze me at the number of men (since I haven't been in the ladies' room) who fail to wash their hands after visiting the toilet.

My father, also, was a major influence in my life.

He was a quiet man, who taught me more by example.

When I was too young to remember, he was an active supporter of the Boy Scouts. For over 25 years, he served as treasurer of the Duplin County Red Cross Chapter. For at least that long, he served our church as treasurer. Since he was physically unable to be a fire fighter, he served our local volunteer fire department as treasurer.

Although he was not able to pursue his education beyond high school, my father was an extremely intelligent person. He had an insatiable curiosity and delighted to learn new things.

I think that my father was about as successful as any mere mortal can be in trying to convert himself from a rough ashlar to a perfect ashlar. I never heard him curse or use profanity.

I think that he was about as perfect an example of the brotherly love for which we Freemasons strive as any man I know. I never heard him speak an unkind word about any person. Every human being had a claim upon his kind offices. He did good unto all.

He truly regarded the whole human species—the high and low, the rich and poor—as one family, who, as created by one Almighty Parent, are to aid, support and protect each other. He truly was the best Mason that I have ever known. He was the best man at my wedding, and he was the best man in my life.

“Backward, turn backward, O Time, in your flight,

Make me a child again, just for tonight!”

Both of my parents are dead now. My mother died in 1992 and my father in 1994. Although they cannot be present in the flesh here this afternoon, it gives me great comfort to know that they are with me in spirit and that they will be with me in my heart and in my soul until I draw my last breath.

I remember that a few years ago, Senator and Brother Jesse Helms served as the grand orator of the Grand Lodge. In that capacity, he delivered the Grand Oration at the Annual Communication.

I remember that Brother Helms talked about his close relationship with his father. He told how, when he was honored with the 33rd degree after his father's death, he held the new ring of his office up toward Heaven, and said, “Pop, this one's for you!”

When a man loves his father as much as Brother Helms and I both did, it means a great deal to have them present for the most special events of one's life. Sadly, as Brother Helms and I, and many others, have learned, that is not always possible.

However, we can take comfort in the fact that they are looking down on us from the Celestial Lodge above, the Temple, not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens. We know that they are with us in spirit.

Like Brother Helms, I can say to my father:

“Pop, this one's for you!”

I have developed a keep appreciation for the power of words to inspire and move us.

One of my favorite quotations is attributed to Senator Robert F. Kennedy. He used it in his ill-fated run for the Presidency in 1968. Actually, the words were penned by the English author, George Bernard

Shaw. You may have heard them.

"Some men see things as they are, and ask why;

I dream things that never were, and say why not."

When I was initiated into the Masonic appendant organization, *Societas Rosicruciana In Civitatibus Foederatis*, or Rosicrucians, for short, I was required to adopt a Latin motto. I chose words attributed to the ancient Greek, Seneca: *Invenium Viam Aut Faciam*.

Those same words, albeit in English, also are attributed to the arctic explorer, Commander, later Rear Admiral, Robert E. Peary, United States Navy: "I shall find a way, or make one."

One of my favorite songs is "The Quest," based on the book, *Don Quixote*, by the great Spanish writer Cervantes. In the book, its namesake, a tragicomic hero, imagines himself on a grand quest to fight every foe and to right every wrong. On one occasion, suffering from a delusion, he even attempted to joust with a windmill.

That song is from the stage play, "Man of La Mancha," and is more commonly known by its popular title, "To Dream the Impossible Dream." It is the one that you heard Sister Helen sing a little while ago. I find the lyrics highly inspiring, and I would like to repeat them for you.

*To dream the impossible dream,
To fight the unbeatable foe;
To bear with unbearable sorrow,
To run where the brave dare not go.
To right the unrightable wrong,
To love pure and chaste from afar;
To try when your arms are too weary,
To reach the unreachable star.*

*This is my quest,
To follow that star;
No matter how hopeless,
No matter how far.
To fight for the right
Without question or pause,
To be willing to march into hell
For a heavenly cause.*

*And I know, if I'll only be true
to this glorious quest,
That my heart will lie peaceful and calm
When I lay to my rest.
And the world will be better for this,
That one man stormed and covered with scars,
Still strove with his last ounce of courage,
To reach the unreachable star!*

We Freemasons refer to the *Holy Bible* as the Volume of Sacred Law. We are taught that everything that we need to know can be found there. It is our trestle board, from which we should take our designs for living a life of moral and spiritual rectitude.

The *Bible*, too, contains many of my favorite verses. I selected several

of the most special ones for Brothers Klein and Whitfield to share with you in the scripture Lessons earlier this afternoon.

In the Book of Ecclesiastes, Chapter 12, Verses 1-7, the preacher warns us that all is vanity, that death will be the end of us all, and that the wise person will not wait until old age, but will follow God throughout his life:

Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them; (v. 1)

While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain; (v. 2)

In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened, (v. 3)

And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of music shall be brought low; (v. 4)

Also, when they shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall be in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets: (v. 5)

Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern. (v. 6)

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

That scripture is recited during the Rite of Circumambulation in the first section of our Third, or Master Mason's, Degree. The *Holy Bible* is opened to the 12th Chapter of Ecclesiastes when our Lodges are opened on the Third Degree. That scripture has great significance to us as Freemasons.

In the 14th Chapter of the Book of Job, echoing the same theme, that all is vanity, or the hopelessness of mortal life, the writer noted that:

Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble. (v. 1)

He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow and continueth not. (v. 2)

In his musings, Job observed that even the plants of the field and the trees of the forest undergo renewal:

For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease. (v. 7)

He then asked the timeless question which has been pondered by men of all ages:

If a man die, shall he live again? (v. 14)

That scripture, too, has great significance for us as Freemasons. We are taught to believe in the resurrection of the spirit, and in the life of the soul after the death of the body. Indeed, that is the central lesson of our Third Degree.

In 1st Corinthians, Chapter 13, we are warned of the consequences of an absence of charity, or love:

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. (v. 1)

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. (v. 2)

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. (v. 3)

However, as usual, the Volume of Sacred Law also gives us the design for a successful life:

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity. (v. 14)

And also in the Book of James, Chapter 2, the need for us to engage in charitable works is emphasized:

What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? Can faith save him? (v. 14)

If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, (v. 15)

And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? (v. 16)

Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. (v. 17)

For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also. (v. 26)

Freemasonry teaches us many important lessons—many important principles that we can use in laying out the designs of our lives on our trestle boards.

Principles such as faith, hope and charity.

Principles such as friendship, morality and brotherly love.

But are we listening?

"Faith, hope, and charity, but the greatest of these is charity."

That phrase—that principle—is a part of the seal of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

"Faith, Hope & Charity."

But do we truly have that charity?

Do we truly display it in our everyday lives?

If our fellow human beings are in need, and we do not help them, what does that say about us?

What does it say about how well we have learned the lessons of Freemasonry?

What does it say about how well we truly have taken them into our hearts?

Remember, the *Bible*—our Volume of Sacred Law—our trestle board—warns us that faith without works is dead!!!

Moral living is not enough. We must go further.

If we are to be true Masons, we must try to help our fellow beings, and to do the good that we can do.

One of my favorite poems is "What I Live For," by G. Linnaeus Banks (1821-1881). I don't know if he was a member of our fraternity, but he clearly had the spirit of Freemasonry in his heart.

I live for those who love me,

Whose hearts are kind and true;

For the Heaven that smiles above me,

And awaits my spirit too;

For all human ties that bind me,

For the task by God assigned me,

For the bright hopes yet to find me,

And the good that I can do.

I live to learn their story

Who suffered for my sake
 To emulate their glory
 And follow in their wake;
 Bards, patriots, martyrs, sages,
 The heroic of all ages,
 Whose deeds crowd History's pages
 And Time's great volume make.

I live to hold communion
 With all that is divine,
 To feel there is a union
 'Twixt Nature's heart and mine;
 To profit by affliction,
 Reap truth from fields of fiction,
 Grow wiser from conviction,
 And fulfill God's grand design.

I live to hail the season,
 By gifted ones foretold
 When man shall live by reason,
 And not alone by gold;
 When man to man united,
 And every wrong thing righted,
 The whole world shall be lighted,
 As Eden was of old.

I live for those who love me,
 For those who know me true;
 For the heaven that smiles above me,
 And awaits my spirit too;
 For the cause that lacks assistance,
 For the wrong that needs resistance,
 For the future in the distance,
 And the good that I can do.

The good that we can do!!!
 My brothers, I have a dream!!!
 That we will love our neighbors as ourselves.
 That we will do unto others as we would have them do unto us.
 That we will support the widows and orphans.
 That we will minister to the sick.
 That we will relieve human suffering.
 That we will support the cause that needs assistance.
 That we will fight the wrong that needs resistance.
 That we will do the good that we can do!!!
 All the good that we can do!!!
 Perhaps mine is an impossible dream.
 But I choose not to think so!
 Will you help me achieve it?

Will you help me reach the unreachable star?

Together—with the help of Almighty God—The Supreme Architect of the Universe—we can make it happen!!!

Inveniam viam aut faciam!

So mote it be!!!

God Bless You.

Second Day-Afternoon Session

Labor was resumed in the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge at 4:00 P.M. on Saturday, April 10, 1999 in the Oasis Shrine Center, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Grand Lodge Closed In Ample Form

There being no further business to come before the Grand Lodge, the minutes were read and approved and the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.


Grand Master

Attest:

I certify that the foregoing *Proceedings* are a true and correct record of the official transactions of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, at the communication held on April 9-10, 1999, and that they were prepared by me from the detailed minutes of that communication, and were published under my supervision.


Grand Secretary

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Grand Master Thomas W. Gregory**Southeast Masonic Conference****August 7, 1998****Ancient Freemasonry In The Modern Age**

I have been asked to speak to you today on the topic of Ancient Freemasonry in the Modern Age. The old adage that "There's nothing new under the sun" is certainly applicable when we begin to compare some characteristics of so-called modern Masonry with the Masonry of our forefathers. I want to begin by telling you a story about a Mason named Artemus.

Artemus, a physician in his community, hurries home from work to bathe and change clothes, as tonight is his lodge meeting night. He looks forward to the meeting tonight as degree work is planned for the evening. He is an officer in his lodge, and will take part in the degree. He's done no memorization and there is no standard of the work in his lodge. Tonight the candidate will receive all his degrees and become a full-fledged member — all the degrees in one evening. There is no catechism to memorize in Artemus's lodge, and the candidate had been contacted earlier and asked if he was interested in joining — he was solicited to become a Mason. The working tools of Masonry are not used in Artemus's lodge to teach moral lessons.

As Artemus arrives, a meal is being served downstairs and alcoholic beverages are served before the meeting. Does this sound like your lodge? No memory work, no standard of the work, solicitation for membership, one-day degrees, and alcohol in the lodge? Does this sound like a lodge in a jurisdiction that you have visited or read about?

Where is this lodge? In England — in the year 1717. As you know, it was common for the lodges of the period to meet in pubs or alehouses. There was no standard of the work, and the two degrees were conferred at one time. The Master Mason Degree was added sometime later, along with the use of working tools to instruct candidates. As the existence of the organization was unknown, the only way a man could join was to be asked. We modern Masons sometimes think that our manner of practicing Masonry is ancient, and unchanged — steeped in antiquity, when in fact, a great number of changes have occurred in our Craft since the organization of the first Grand Lodge in 1717. The general acceptance among Masons, even Grand Lodges that our ceremonies have been passed down unaltered through the centuries, is just not the case. We have not "always done it that way."

My point is that our Fraternity continues to evolve, and that change is not only inevitable, but even desirable as we move into a new millenium.

Change is startling to us sometimes — it captures our attention and is sometimes quite threatening. When the first horseless carriage traveled through the countryside, many an unsuspecting soul was startled at the sight. He stopped in his tracks, held his ears, and ran in the opposite direction from what had to be a machine crafted by the devil himself.

I can remember the first time I read about a one-day class where hundreds of men became Masons in a day — it amazed me. I still have a problem dealing with the concept. Many jurisdictions have been pleased with the results. Ten years ago, one of our grand jurisdictions recognized the Prince Hall Grand Lodge in their state. Many of us were amazed — many were threatened by what had occurred. Now twenty-seven jurisdictions in North America recognize Prince Hall in some manner or fashion. Elimination or modification of our so-called "blood oaths" has occurred in several Jurisdictions, as well as the abbreviation of memory work and inclusion of additional Masonic education for the candidate. Solicitation of men for membership has been proposed and in some instances permitted in a few grand jurisdictions. All this is quite remarkable for an organization that many say is organized in a fashion that thwarts innovation

and change. Just what's going on? Are these knee-jerk reactions to falling membership levels and declining sources of income needed to perpetuate the system as we have grown to know it? Or is this a natural progression of change that is inevitable in an organization whose membership profile is changing. A television ad once stated "This is not your Father's Oldsmobile" — remember that ad? Well Brethren, this is not your Father's Masonry either! Even in conservative Jurisdictions, there have been remarkable changes, and topics are being discussed that would never have been considered in years past. We all know that caution is the better part of valor, but the times, they are a changing!

A fairly recent development has been the rapid growth of the Internet and the rapid exchange of ideas and communication we see in the Information Age. Freemasonry has been moved and it's members influenced by the phenomenon we call the Internet. We are all aware of its impact on communications. I would imagine there is no grand lodge present at this conference that does not have a web page. I know that many jurisdictions are utilizing email for everything from annual reports to correspondence with the grand lodge office. But the real impact of this thing called the Internet is not as a public relations tool or a way to communicate with the grand lodge office — it's far more than that. It's access — access like we've never known before.

In my home state of North Carolina, a member can sit down at his computer and send an email off to the Grand Master before breakfast, and get an answer the same day. This ability to correspond unhindered to the top of our organization brings our members on a level seldom achieved with other forms of communication — the Grand Master is more accessible than ever. Our N.C. Masons listserver allows discussion on topics between Masons from across the state, and prompts study and review of topics ranging from Masonic education to the resolution to recognize Prince Hall. This almost instant communication and rapid exchange of ideas is at once refreshing and frightening. Some old guard who have had their way with things for years find themselves threatened with new ideas and technology that they don't understand and feel they have little need to participate in.

Our late Brother, John Robinson, said, "There are two things of which we can be certain. First, changes will come. They are already appearing in individual grand lodges. Second, there will be Masons who will be angered and denounce these changes vehemently as violations of ancient tradition. As that happens, we can only ask those proposing or making such changes to respect the dissidents' devotion to custom and tradition. For those defending the history and traditions of Freemasonry, we can point to the fact that a good part of history gives evidence of a great number of changes throughout the centuries."

With all this mention of change, I must address what is really most important in the examination of ancient versus modern Freemasonry. It is quite simply put this — although our gentle craft has spread over different parts of the globe through it's hundreds of years of existence, no matter where it is, it still clings tenaciously to those features that it values most. It is still an affinity group of Brethren who have gone through some of the same experiences, and who share some of the same ideals. Freemasonry still holds to absolute moral standards. It still proclaims that all men are created equal, and are worthy to meet together upon the level.

It still adheres to the tenets or fundamental principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth.

It still exhorts us to unite in the grand design of being happy and communicating happiness.

In short, Freemasonry continues, as it has been in the past, to be an unchanging moral force for good in this rapidly changing world. It is a great ship whose sails and crew have changed somewhat, but whose course is as right and true as it ever was.

Sermon Given At Prayer Breakfast By Rev. David Cash

"Don't Forget Your Feet"

April 9, 1999

A story is told about a young college student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill who needed to make an "A" very badly. He heard of a course called ornithology, the study of birds. An older professor had taught the course for a number of years. It did not require much work; class attendance was not even mandatory. When the young student showed up for the class the first day of the fall semester, the older professor had retired over the summer. In his place was a young and energetic scientist. The student could not believe all the work. He wanted to quit, but it was too late to register for another class. The new professor was very demanding . . . bird watching, research, reading, periodicals, drawing, copying bird pictures, special reports on the various species of birds. There was a final exam. The professor walked into the room, unrolled a linen cloth, and displayed 12 pairs of bird legs. The final exam was to identify the bird by its legs. The student could stand no more. He had really tried but this was it. He charged the professor and released all his frustrations.

The professor inquired in astonishment, "Young man, what is your name?" The student pulled up his pants legs revealing his legs.

"You tell me," replied the young student!

Don't forget your feet! Are you known by your feet? Most of us are very particular about our feet. As a child, I could not wait until May 1st to go barefooted. Now, I don't go outside of my house without my shoes. Unlike years gone by, most of us have several pairs of shoes in our closet.

The feet and shoes have been the subject of many jokes and myths too. Where did you get those boats? Big feet, small feet, fat feet, wide feet, skinny feet, stinking feet! How much stock do you own in the odor eaters company? Myths—a person's shoe size is not always proportional to their body size. When I visited the parade of stars sidewalk in Beverly Hills, I was shocked how small the feet were of one of my heroes—the Duke. Mr. John Wayne had little feet. I have also known small person who sported clodhoppers, too! In the wild west, most cowboys wanted to be buried with their boots on. If I mention the word, Rockport—you think shoes. If I mention Moses—you think taking off shoes. Imelda Marcos—shoes, Nike—shoes, Dolly Parton—well maybe we don't think of shoes when we mention her!

But Indians were certainly known for their moccasins; the Dutch for their wooden shoes. Feet can tell us a lot of things. When we walk through the woods, we identify different animals by the tracks left by their feet. We can look at a set of animal tracks and tell what kind of animal it is, the approximate age and size of the animal; we can tell the direction the animal is traveling.

My brothers and sisters, the message this morning is that humans too are known by the tracks our feet leave as we journey through earth on our way to heaven—Don't Forget Your Feet!

Unfortunately, we humans are more concerned about how our feet smell, or if our shoes match the outfit, rather than the tracks, the path we are leaving for others to follow—Don't Forget Your Feet!

Now, I know some of you are sitting there thinking—Life is not about feet; true, life is about a matter of heart!

In 1 Samuel 16—when Samuel is commanded to go to Jesse and select the next king for Israel. Samuel learns that man looks on the outward appearance, but God looks on the inside, at the heart. Salvation is a matter of the heart. Our name is written in the Lamb's Book Of Life based upon the heart, but the greatness of our reward, the number of jewels in our crown, the size of our mansion in heaven is going to be based upon our feet.

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

James—faith without works is dead—Don't forget your feet

I believe this principle of the feet is the homage that Masonry pays religion.

Becoming a Mason is about the heart—In Whom Do You Put Your Trust?

Being A Mason is about your feet, My brother, before you can proceed further in our ceremony, before we can advance, we have to take certain steps, giving the due guard and sign, appropriate to each step. The two things that I remember the most from my Entered Apprentice Degree are firstly—the words, your trust being in God, your faith is well founded, and secondly—you will now take your first step in Masonry! Baby steps, getting married, big step—Don't forget your feet!

As a Christian, the cross is a symbol that represents life, death, and resurrection. I think it also represents friendship, morality, and brotherly love. The vertical post of the cross represents my relationship with God, a faith that is well founded through the gift of His son, Jesus Christ. Jesus taught us that the greatest commandment is that we love the Lord with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind! The vertical bar of the cross represents our personal relationship with God—matter of heart.

The horizontal post of the cross deals with our feet, putting our faith into action by walking in the way of God that leads to life eternal. The horizontal cross bar reminds me of Jesus' second great commandment—love your neighbor as you love yourself. Over the years, this second commandment has also been interpreted as the Golden Rule—do unto others, as you would have them do unto you. Loving one's neighbor, the Golden Rule. Isn't that what friendship, morality and brotherly love is all about?

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or clanging symbol. And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I am nothing.

Love is the cement which unites us into one sacred band or society of friends and brothers. Jesus said love with hands/feet equals love in action—for I was hungry, you fed me, for I was thirsty, you gave me drink, strangers, you welcomed me, naked, you clothed me, in prison, you visited me, love equals got to have feet.

My friends, I know this has been a difficult year in many respects. That's one of the reasons why we are here this morning. Our hearts have been grieved somewhat by the lack of friendship, morality, and brotherly love.

This morning, in this time of devotion to Deity, let us renew the sacred and solemn affirmation—that our trust being God, our faith is well founded. If the vertical post of the cross becomes off center in our personal relationship with Christ, then so will be our horizontal relationships in our daily walk with each other. Let us commit ourselves in the good news of Jesus Christ. As Christian Masons, let us so practice friendship, morality, and brotherly love that no contention should ever exist, but that noble contention, or rather emulation of whom can best work and best agree.

The Apostle Paul said in Romans Chapter 10, verse 15—“How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

So—“Don't forget your feet”

As we go forth to clothe ourselves with the apron of our office and the badge of a Mason, may our lambskin be an ever-present reminder of a “purity of life and rectitude of conduct, a never ending argument for nobler deeds, for higher thoughts, for greater achievements. And when at last our weary feet shall come to the end of their toilsome journey—And our trembling soul shall stand naked and alone before the Great White Throne, may it be our portion to hear from Him

who sitteth at the Judge Supreme the welcome words: Beautiful Feet Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of the Lord.

So Mote It Be—In the Name of The Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Spirit!

Amen!

Remarks Following Election
Grand Master Charles Marshall Ingram
April 10, 1999

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren all:

On a hot and humid August night nearly 30 years ago, I was brought from darkness to Masonic light. In my hands was placed a lambskin—the badge of a Mason. I was told that with light added to the coming light, the purple of our fraternity might rest upon my honored shoulders. Little did I know.

It never occurred to me that such an honor might ever happen. I was just a small-town boy, joining a small country lodge. The thought never even crossed my mind. And yet, here we are.

Brethren, you have bestowed upon me the greatest honor that any Mason can have. With a great sense of gratitude and appreciation, I humbly accept the office of grand master. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I look forward to serving you.

Brethren, later this afternoon, we will hold the installation of the Grand Lodge officers, at which I will make appropriate remarks. A reception will follow. You are cordially invited and urged to attend.

However, I recognize that many of you have travelled long distances, and that you are anxious to return to your families. Because of that, I would like to take the opportunity to briefly share some of my thoughts with you at this time.

This has been a controversial year. Or, rather, we have had a great deal of controversy - more controversy than I remember in my nearly 30 years.

The Grand Master has been attacked and maligned by men who did not know what they were talking about. I want to publicly acknowledge and personally thank him for the dignified manner in which he has conducted himself. He always has been courteous to everyone. He has treated all of us with respect—even when he himself was not afforded the respect that he and his office deserve.

But all of that is behind us now. Remember that the finest steel is forged in the hottest furnace. We have emerged wiser for our experience and from our experience. I believe that we are better for it. At least, I know that I will be a better grand master because of it.

Vice President and Brother Gerald Ford assumed the Presidency of the United States upon the resignation of President Nixon. Brother Ford later wrote book, entitled *A Time To Heal*.

Brethren, I sincerely would like for the coming year to be a time to heal.

I will always remember that in his remarks upon taking the oath of office as President, Brother Ford said to the American people, "I am a Ford, not a Lincoln."

While my name does not lend itself to such an alliteration, I would like to make the same point. I am an Ingram, not a Gregory, not a Smith, nor a Simpson, Everett, or Brunk. I bring to this office my own set of experiences, values, and philosophy.

There is a great deal of wisdom in the way we select our grand master. I have been preparing for this day for the past eight years. I think I am ready.

In that time, I have matured greatly and learned many things.

I have learned that while I may be able to recognize and identify some of the problems, I do not have all of the answers. You do, my Brethren.

I have learned that a leader must listen.

I have learned that a leader must serve.

I have learned that one grand master by himself can accomplish very little more than presiding for one year.

I have learned that if we want to improve our beloved fraternity, it is imperative that we must develop a consensus of what needs to be done.

Brethren, we must do that together.

I have learned that if I want to make any lasting contribution to our beloved fraternity, I must strive to develop continuity with my fellow officers.

Brethren, I pledge to you this morning that I will do all of those things in the coming year.

Most Worshipful Brother Norburn C. Hyatt, past grand master, wrote to me a few weeks ago. In his letter, he cautioned me that a leader cannot push—he must lead.

Brethren, many of you have asked me what my program will be. I have chosen not to use a slogan or catchy phrase to describe my goals and objectives. I cannot improve on what has already been done by my predecessors.

Most Worshipful Walter F. ("Bud") McCall, in his year as grand master, reminded us that "by our acts and deeds we shall be known."

During his year as grand master, Most Worshipful Norburn C. Hyatt used the simple phrase, "B L M P A S." That stood for "Blue Lodge Masonry, Pure and Simple."

When he was grand master, Most Worshipful Lester P. Martin Jr., my "Masonic father" who appointed me to the Grand Lodge line in 1991, adopted as his motto, "Let's Practice Masonry." I thought that was quite creative on his part, and quite appropriate. The initials of "Let's Practice Masonry," "LPM," are the same as the initials of his name, Lester P. Martin.

Most Worshipful William H. ("Bill") Simpson, during his year as grand master emphasized the need to restore morality in Freemasonry.

And just this past year, Most Worshipful Thomas W. ("Tom") Gregory, noted the obligations that we all took at the sacred altar, with our hands resting upon the *Holy Bible*, our Volume of Sacred Law, and reminded us that we have "Promises To Keep."

All of these are important. To select only one would be to exclude all the others. I do not believe that we can afford to do that.

We heard several powerful messages here yesterday.

The message that Worshipful Brother David Cash, our grand chaplain, shared with us at our Prayer Breakfast yesterday morning was wonderful and extremely inspiring.

And the Grand Oration that was delivered by our grand orator, Most Worshipful Brother William H. ("Bill") Simpson, past grand master, was one of the most motivating speeches that it has been my good fortune to experience.

These two probably were the most powerful and moving Masonic messages that I have ever heard. I think that I received more Masonic education in those 90 minutes than in the past 30 years.

Both of these great men and Masons told us Brethren that we must get back on course!

We must restore morality in Masonry!

We must practice Masonry!

We must remember that we have promises to keep.

We must learn to subdue our passions.

We must display in our daily lives the four cardinal virtues of Freemasonry, which are temperance, fortitude, prudence, and justice.

We must exhibit in our daily lives the tenets of a Mason's profession, which are brotherly love, relief and truth.

We must use the common gavel for the more glorious purpose of divesting our hearts and consciences of all the vices and superfluities of life.

We must remember, as Most Worshipful Richard G. ("Rick") Moore counselled us during his hear as grand master, that if we remain within the circle of our duty to God and man, it is impossible that we should materially err.

We must constantly use our trowels to spread the cement of brotherly love and affection, to unite us into one sacred band or society of friends and brothers, among whom no contention should ever exist, but that noble contention, or rather emulation, of who can best work and best agree.

We must meet on the level, act by the plumb, and part upon the square.

Brethren, these are not empty phrases!

They are the very fabric and essence of Freemasonry!

All of us—each and every one of us—has taken obligations. Obligations which it is obvious we are not honoring.

Most Worshipful Lester P. Martin Jr., loves to tell the story about Most Worshipful Brother Hubert McNeill Poteat, a member of Wake Forest Lodge No. 282, who was grand master from 1923 to 1924. Dr. Poteat was a professor of Latin at what was then Wake Forest College.

On one occasion after his year as grand master had been concluded, Most Worshipful Brother Poteat was on the stage of the auditorium at Needham B. Broughton High School, here in Raleigh, where the Annual Communication was being held.

As the dignitaries on the stage were looking out over the audience, another past grand master commented to Most Worshipful Poteat, "Well, Hubert, there's the cream of Freemasonry." To which Past Grand Master Poteat is said to have replied, "Yes, but there's an awful lot of skim milk!"

If I use any slogan this year to convey the message that I want to share, it will be the simple question: "Cream, or Skim Milk?"

Brethren, are you cream or skim milk?

Remember those obligations that you took!

Let's keep our promises!

Let's practice Masonry!

Thank you, and God bless you.

Roster Of Awards Of Joseph Montfort Medals

Established 1940

(Arranged According to Date Awarded)

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1940

Melvin Maynard Johnson, Past Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts
John Huske Anderson, Past Grand Master, Grand Secretary
Thomas Joshua Harkins, Past Grand Master

1941

Raymond Cromwell Dunn, Past Grand Master
Charles Bailey Newcomb, Past Grand Master
John Edward Allen, Past Grand Master

1942

William Moseley Brown, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia
Alexander Boyd Andrews, Past Grand Master
William Ritchie Smith, Past Master, Raleigh Lodge No. 500

1943

Herbert Claude Alexander, Past Grand Master, Grand Treasurer
Watson Newberry Sherrod, Past Grand Master
Charles Patterson Eldridge, Past Grand Master

1944

Hubert McNeill Poteat, Past Grand Master
James Giles Hudson, Past Grand Master
Creasy Kinion Proctor, Past Master, Hiram Lodge No. 40

1945

John Henry Cowles, Past Grand Master of Masons in Kentucky
Edgar Walter Timberlake, Past Grand Master
F. W. Moody White, Past Master, Royal White Hart Lodge No. 2

1946

John Wallace Winborne, Past Grand Master
James Edward Shipman, Past Grand Master
Julius C. Hobbs, Past Grand Master

1947

Carl Harry Claudy, Past Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia,
and Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association of the United
States

George Richard Bennette, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star
Home of N. C., Inc.

Wilbur LeRoy McIver, Past Master, Grand Secretary

1948

John Raymond Shute, Past Master, North Carolina Lodge of Research No. 666
Roger Keith, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts
Maxwell Ellis Hoffman, Deputy Grand Master

1949

Luther Thompson Hartsell, Jr., Past Grand Master

William James Bundy, Past Grand Master

John Rufus McCracken, Past Master, Waynesville Lodge No. 259

1950

James Walker Payne, Past Grand Master

Brother Frank Mullen Pinnix, Editor of *The Orphan's Friend and Masonic Journal*

Oliver Franklin Hart, Past Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of AFM, South Carolina

1951

Fred Clinton Kinzie, Grand Lecturer

Hugh Williamson Prince, Past Master, Palmyra Lodge No. 147

Enoch Dorran Flowers, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia

1952

Wallace Everett Caldwell, Past Grand Master

Harrison Kauffman, Past Master, Hiram Lodge No. 40

Samuel Newman Boyce, Past Master, Gastonia Lodge No. 369

1953

Herbert Miles Foy, Past Grand Master

Edwin Walker Yates, Past Master, William G. Hill Lodge No. 218

James Noah Hillman, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of AF & AM of Virginia

1954

William Henry White, Past Grand Master

Rudolph Reynolds Cooke, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia

Brother Claude Babington Squires, Member of Joppa Lodge No. 530

1955

Edwin Turlington Howard, Past Grand Master

A. D. Leon Gray, Past Master, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage

John Edward Rooker, Jr., Past Master, Johnston Caswell Lodge No. 10

1956

John H. Parker, Secretary-Recorder of the Grand York Rite Bodies of North Carolina

A. J. M. Wannamaker, Past Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina

Robert Lee Pugh, Past Grand Master

1957

Charles Harrison Pugh, Past Grand Master

Henry Fitzhugh Collins, Past Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of AFM of South Carolina

Charles Trenholm McClenaghan, Past Master, William G. Hill Lodge No. 218,

1958

John Catlett Vance, Past Grand Master

Frank S. Land, Founder and Secretary-General of the Order of DeMolay

Leon Godown, Past Master of Stokes Lodge No. 32, and Editor of *The Orphans' Friend and Masonic Journal*

1959

John Irving Smith, Past Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina
Adam Andrew Husman, Past Master of Hiram Lodge No. 40

1960

Luther A. Smith, Past Grand Master of Masons in Mississippi
James Guy Johnston, Past Grand Master
Norwood Price Parker, Past Master, Hiram Lodge No. 98

1961

Percy Clifton Stott, Past Master, Wendell Lodge No. 565
Haywood Sherrill King, Sr., Past Master, Wilmington Lodge No. 319
Berl Maurice Kahn, Past Master, Wayne Lodge No. 112
Thomas Milton Funk, Past Master, Mooresville Lodge No. 496
Charles Anderson Harris, Past Grand Master, Grand Secretary

1962

Harvey Ward Smith, Past Grand Master
Troy Garren Robbins, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of
N. C., Inc.
Harry S. Truman, Past Grand Master of Masons in Missouri
Richard Harvey Lucas, Past Master, Perseverance Lodge No. 59
James Jay Gilbert, a member of Greenville Lodge No. 284

1963

Thomas Earl Doss, Past Grand Master of Masons in Tennessee and Grand
Secretary in Tennessee
James Woodrow Brewer, Past Grand Master, Grand Treasurer
Herbert Noble, Past Master, John A. Nichols Lodge No. 650
Rueben Barnitz, Past Master, Secretary of Mount Hermon Lodge No. 118
Lloyd Woolley, Secretary of Southern Pines Lodge No. 484

1964

Charles Carpenter Ricker, Past Grand Master
William Eli Hand, Past Grand Master
Andrew J. White, Jr., Past Grand Master of Masons in Ohio and Grand Secretary
in Ohio
Samuel W. McIntosh, Past Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia
Martin H. Kinsinger, Past Grand Master of Masons in Maryland

1965

William Edward Burrier, Past Grand Master
Raymond M. Rideout, Past Grand Master of Masons in Maine
Marion Tillet Ross, Past Master of St. John's Lodge No. 1
Herbert Delno Holland, Past Master of Asheboro Lodge No. 699
John D. Cunningham, former Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service
Association

1966

Louis Philip Guigou, Past Master of Lovelady Lodge No. 670
Earley Winfred Bridges, Past Master of Greensboro Lodge No. 76
Harry Miller Bryant, Sr., Past Potentate, Oasis Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.
Robert Norman Bass, Jr., Junior Grand Warden
George Dudley Humphrey, Past Grand Master

1967

James Paul Kelly, Past Master of Sparta Lodge No. 423, District Deputy Grand Master, 49th Masonic District

Edgar Floyd Dunn, Past Master of Roman Eagle Lodge No. 550

Samuel Andrew Hennis, Jr., Past Grand Master

1968

Reynold Slade Davenport, Past Master of Semper Fidelis Lodge No. 680, Past District Deputy Grand Master

Charles Taylor Potter, Grand Lecturer

Edward Paul, Past Master of Doric Lodge No. 568

1969

Emery B. Denny, Past Master of Holland Memorial Lodge No. 668, Judge Advocate

Edward Denny Austin, Past Master of Greenville Lodge No. 284

Alfred Albrecht Kafer, Jr., Past Grand Master

1970

Arnold J. Koonce, Past Grand Master

Fred F. Harding, Grand Tyler

Robert P. Dudley, Past Master of Cleveland Lodge No. 202, Asst. to the Grand Secretary of Grand Lodge of North Carolina

1971

Ira Boyd Hopkins, Past Master of Elkin Lodge No. 454, District Education Chairman of 47th District

William Arthur Hooks, Past Grand Master

Thomas Gorbett Slate, Past Master of Phoenix Lodge No. 8, Past District Deputy Grand Master

1972

A. C. Honeycutt, Past Master of Hiram Lodge No. 40

William T. Hatch, Past Master of Millbrook Lodge No. 97, Judge Advocate

Maurice E. Walsh, Past Grand Master

1973

Kedar D. Pyatt, Past Master of Wayne Lodge No. 112

William W. Mims, Jr., Past Grand Master

Earl M. Noe, Past Master of Franklin Lodge No. 109

1974

Nelson B. Banks, Past Master of Berne Lodge No. 724, Recorder of Sudan Temple

William K. Price, Past Master of Excelsior Lodge No. 261, Past Grand Lecturer

Russell G. Laughridge, Secretary of Cleveland Lodge No. 202

1975

Louis W. Shrier, Past Master of St. John's Lodge No. 1

Emett D. Chandler, Past Master of Mt. Hermon Lodge No. 118

Wilbourne M. Smith, Past Master of Eureka Lodge No. 317

1976

James Earl Watson, Deputy Grand Master

William Edmund Fulmer, Past Master of Snow Lodge No. 363, Past District Deputy Grand Master

Jesse Richard Laughinghouse, Member of Crown Point Lodge No. 708

1977

James W. Stubbs, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England
 Joseph W. Gilbert, Past Master and Past Secretary of Grafton Lodge No. 243
 Brother Karl M. Linville, Member of Kernersville Lodge No. 669

1978

S. Frank Noble, Past Grand Master
 Leslie H. Garner, Past Grand Master
 Marvin D. Wilson, Grand Tyler

1979

Richard Joseph Parker, Jr., Past Master, Excelsior Lodge No. 261
 Kolen Flack, Past Master of Oconee Lodge No. 427, Grand Lecturer
 Robert Lee Winston, Past Master of Adoniram Lodge No. 149, Superintendent
 of Oxford Orphanage

1980

William L. Mills, Jr., Past Grand Master
 William A. Langley, Past Master of Garner Lodge No. 701, Past District Deputy
 Grand Master
 John E. Herschleb, Member of Excelsior Lodge No. 261

1981

Nathaniel C. Dean, Past Grand Master
 William B. Bellois, Past Grand Master
 William S. Aldridge, Jr., Past Master of Stanly Lodge No. 348

1982

(None presented because of the death of
 Grand Master Nelson B. Banks.)

1983

Cecil J. Liverman, Deputy Grand Master
 Charles E. Scott, Jr., Past Master of Salem Lodge No. 289
 Otto Neustadt, Past Master of Hiram Lodge No. 40

1984

Albert E. Hill, Past Master and Secretary of American George Lodge No. 17
 Tyree J. Callihan, Past Master and Secretary of Royal Hart Lodge No. 497
 David Ford, Past Master of Oxford Lodge No. 122

1985

Eddie P. Stiles, Jr., Senior Grand Warden
 Allen G. Colenda, Past Master, Oxford Lodge No. 122
 Frederick G. Speidel, Grand Orator

1986

Everette Stansil Aldridge, Past Grand Master
 Jacob Claude Goodman, Jr., Past Grand Master
 Dewey James O'Kelley, Past Master of Mount Hermon Lodge No. 118

1987

Robert Weldon Adams, Past Master of Joppa Lodge No. 530
 Durwood Scott Weston, Past Master of Orr Lodge No. 104
 James Beauford Kiser, Past Master of Friendship Lodge No. 700

1988

David Bryan Sentelle, Member of Excelsior Lodge No. 261

Travis Bryan Cox, Member of Oxford Lodge No. 122

Tommy Leon Jones, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home
1989

Herbert Lloyd Wilkerson, Past Master of Semper Fidelis Lodge No. 680, Grand Orator

Thurman Bruce Boyette, Past Master of Wilson Lodge No. 712

Jack Griggs White, Past Master of Doric Lodge No. 568

1990

Gerry Theodore Smith, Past Master of Crissie Wright Lodge No. 741

Delmas Tharrington Williams, Past Master of Garner Lodge No. 701

Charles Thomas Robbins, Jr., Past Master of Corinthian Lodge No. 542

1991

Harold Clayton Gibson, Past Master, Secretary of Laurinburg Lodge No. 305

James Monroe Joines, Past Master, Past Secretary of Mount Pleasant Lodge No. 573

Jerry Gordon Tart, Past Grand Master

1992

Shields Jolly, Jr., Past Master, Secretary of Lee Lodge No. 253

Albert Bennett Gobble, Past Master, Secretary of Lexington Lodge No. 473

Francis McMordie, Past Master, Secretary of West Bend Lodge No. 434

1993

David Ronald Grissom, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage

Norburn Creighton Hyatt, Past Grand Master

Edwin Paul Martin, Past Master, Waynesville Lodge No. 259

1994

William T. Cope, Past Master, Secretary of Stanley Lodge No. 713

C. James Weisel, Jr., Past Master of Stokes Lodge No. 32

J. Allan Suther, Past Master of Hibriten Lodge No. 262

1995

Earle Rupert Purser, Past Master, Garner Lodge No. 701

Donald Lawrence Sizemore, Past Master, Secretary, Oxford Lodge No. 122

Robert Lloyd Young, Past Master, Cary Lodge No. 198

1996

Edward Douglas Hartsell, Past Master, Secretary, Crown Point Lodge No. 708

Robert LaFayette Martin, Past Master, Bethel Lodge No. 589

Lee Roy Thomas, Jr., Past Grand Master

1997

Joseph C. Saunders, Past Master, Hiram Lodge No. 40

Hubert V. Massengill, Past Master, Troy Lodge No. 718

Ray M. Comer, Past Master, Stokesdale Lodge No. 428

1998

T. Walton Clapp, III, Grand Secretary, Past Master of Mystic Tie Lodge No. 237

Ottis Reynolds Jefferson, Jr., Past Master, Secretary, Franklin Lodge No. 109

Bunn T. Phillips, Jr., Past Grand Master, Grand Lecturer

1999

Colonel Dwight Blackburn, Past Master of Traphill Lodge No. 483**William Franklin Meacham, Past Master of Keller Memorial Lodge No. 657****Richard Edward Carter, Past Master of Washington Lodge No. 675**

Roster Of Awards Of The Laudamus Certificate

Established 1962

(Arranged according to length of continuous certification
beginning with the present system of examination.)

1963

Arnold Wesley Kincaid	24	William Harley Stephens	18
Scott Stuart Fay	23	Nathan Philip Strause	18
Marion Tillit Ross	23	Harry Stanton Taylor	18
Craven English Harrington	22	Adaired Ward Chambers	17
Henry Mcnair Johnson	22	Coy Jackson Huff	17
Percy Clifton Stott	22	James Guy Johnston	17
Neill Willis Freeman	21	John Luther Powell	17
William Howard Hardy	21	Kenneth Lester Barkley	16
Fred Clinton Kinzie	21	James Castle Brown, Jr.	16
Cornelius Leach	21	Cloude Burgess	16
Joseph Gracey Miller	21	Clifton Gordon Grant	16
Norwood Price Parker	21	Walter Herman Hardee	16
Ray Elbert Phillips	21	Earl McIntosh Noe	16
James Thomas Carrwright	21	Clarence Lee Rhinehart	16
Jonathan Harvey Carpenter	20	Franklin William Royal	16
Richard Harvey Lucas	20	Edward George Updegrove	16
Samuel Lewis Powers	20	Royal Preston Wooten	16
Wm. Albert Stephenson Aman	19	Arthur Apple	15
Charles Durwood Graham	19	Elmo Elsworth Battle	15
Robert Breathard Jones	19	Robert Macbeth Bird	15
William Robert Owens	19	Gordon Lee Butler	15
William Clifford Greer	18	Frank Gudgey Cabe	15
William Riley Hadley	18	Henry Benaga Carawan	15
Britton Harrell	18	Grady Isaiah Carriker	15
Ned Armfield Hawks	18	Wm. Llewellyn Lancaster	15
Geoge Dudley Humphrey	18	Harvey Lee Mulkey	15
Haywood Sherrill King	18	Willie Franklin Owens	15
Eric Earl Morgan	18	Robie Daniel Porter	15
Thomas Jefferson Morgan	18	James Thaddeus White	15
James Ingram Reynolds	18	Decoster Wright	15

1964

Vardy Mcbee Abernathy	15	Berl Maurice Kahn	15
Eldon Skockley Adams	15	Graham Pinkney Kerr	15
Henry Clay Baucom	15	Andrew Franklyn McLamb	15
Joel Jackson Faulk	15	Marshal Glenn Mcrae	15
William Bradsher Hicks	15	Frank Neely Owens	15
Keith Grimes Hodgins	15	Edwin Thomas Parham	15
George Chreston Holoman	15	Alva Elbert Penney	15
John Albert Hornaday	15	Charles Albert Ramsey	15
Ralph Hillyer Jackson, Sr.	15	Raymond Earl Rhyne	15
James Benjamin Johnson	15	John Alexander Simpson	15
William Lee Johnson	15		

1965

Reuben Barnitz	15	Richard Tyler Freeman	15
Willie Henry Batchelor	15	Raymond Haskell Garrison	15
Lee Roy Cain	15	Hubert Lawrence Gibbs	15
Homer Showalte Rclark	15	Willie Parker Goodwin	15
George Anderson Green	15	Raymond Rock Hill	
Anderson Bailey Greene	15	Nicholson, Sr.	15
William James Hall	15	David James Padrick, Jr.	15
William Arthur Hooks	15	Samuel Thomas Perry	15
Alvis Rex Hardy	15	Charles Lee Polk	15
James Kelly Hooper	15	William Knox Rice, Sr.	15
Homer Eugene Kaylor	15	George Rhodes	15
William Edward Kerr	15	Bonner Lee Strawn	15
George William Lee	15	Rufus Elliott Taylor	15
Neil Archie Lee	15	James Oliver Thornton	15
Edwin Wright Liverman	15	Clarence Rufus Welch	15
William Henri Newman	15	Edward Marion Westbrooks	21
Jerry Julian Quinn	15		

1966

Stedman Fulton Dallas	15	Wayland Duke McGlohon	15
Clarence Basil Foulk	15	Taft Spurgeon Putnam	15
Russell Peabody Hale	15	Frank Lee Thomas	15
Geo. Warren Marshbourne	15		

1967

Lloyd Avery Allison	15	George Raymon Dleggett, Sr.	15
Nelson Bryan Banks	15	Perry James Peterson	15
Fred Orr Brown	15	Horace William Pigg	15
David Thomas Calloway	15	Marcus Brown Prince, Jr.	15
Paul Maxwell Davis	15	Kedar Davis Pyatt, Sr.	15
June Haywood Goforth	15	Charles Leroy Riggs	15
Harvey Theodore Hogan	15	William Clyde Riggs, Sr.	15
Jesse Owen House	15	Johnny Mack Robinson, Sr.	15
Whitson Durham Johnson	15	Randolph Gage Smith	15
Leroy Ledford	15		

1968

Lloyd Avery Allison	15	George Raymond Leggett, Sr.	15
Nelson Bryan Banks	15	Perry James Peterson	15
Fred Orr Brown	15	Horace William Pigg	15
David Thomas Calloway	15	Marcus Brown Prince, Jr.	15
Paul Maxwell Davis	15	Kedar Davis Pyatt, Sr.	15
June Haywood Goforth	15	Charles Leroy Riggs	15
Jesse Owen House	15	William Clyde Riggs, Sr.	15
Whitson Durham Johnson	15	Johnny Mack Robinson, Sr.	15
Leroy Ledford	15	Randolph Gage Smith	15

1969

Herman George Alberti, Sr.	15	Henry Bruce Johnson	15
Thurman Bruce Boyette	15	Nicholas Alex Joseph	15
Grady Anderson Brown	15	William Ray Lockhard	15
William Henry Brown	15	Stacy Thomas Lupton	15
William Thomas Cross	15	John Frank Maddry	15
Everett Dace Crutchfield	15	Hubert Vernon Massengill	15
Edison Miler Curtis	15	Allen Grover Powers	15
Roy Alvie Edwards	15	Jack Belmont Russell	15
Charles Thomas Fletcher	15	Archie Boy Dstalvey	15
Garland Gustus Fountain	15	James Earl Watson	15
Thomas Milton Funk	15	Edmond Dixon Woody	15
Score Jackson Hinton, Jr.	15		

1970

Edward Denny Austin	15	Walter Samuel Mchan	15
Alden Grant Bower	15	Francis Marion Mellette	15
Elwyn Daniel Bowman	15	Harvey Lee Mulkey	15
Ballard Eugene Burleson	15	Brady Wilson Mullinax	15
James Monroe Camp, Sr.	15	Max Myers	15
Nathaniel Cook Dean	15	Weldon Gilbert Parks	15
Richard Clyde Glascock	15	Cecil Miller Pate	15
William Haun Harmon	15	William Max Polter	15
James Allen Harris	15	Joseph Grayson Pyatt	15
Lewis Phillip Hartis	15	Robert Bruce Saunders	15
James Henry Horne	15	James Eldon Spicer	15
Frank Howard Hoyle	15	Moses Garland Talton, Jr.	15
James Monroe Joines	15	Gordon Edmund Wallace	15

1971

Thomas Ruffin Brown, Jr.	15	Paul Myers	15
Earl Fordyce Burnete	15	Earnest Elton Odum	15
Robert Allen Carter	15	Leroybeaman Whitfield	15
Cecil Lawrence Ham	15	Morris Curtis Whitley	15
Dallas Holoman, Jr.	15	William Neal Williams	15
Clarence Eugene Jernigan	15		

1972

Ben Randall Alford	15	William Person Harrell	15
Charles Wesley Bird	15	Albert Vance Hulbert	15
John Edgar Boring	15	Harry Allen Ingram, Sr.	15
Wilmer Carlton Chesson	15	Spence Purvis McCormick	15

Beulah Arnold Cox, Sr.	15	Edward Lee Quillin	15
Reynold Slade Davenport	15	Hood Waldo Rood	15
John Calvin Davidson	15	Mark Chancellor Swaim	15
Alfred Ormand Goins	15	Luther Howard Walker	15

1973

William Lee Adams	15	Robert Alexander McCallum	15
Charlie Cleveland Baggett	15	William Edward Munson, Jr.	15
Edward Weston Bell	15	Nelson Watkins Newton	15
Clarence William Burrell	15	George Melvin Oliver	15
Edgar Carol Caton	15	Eckles McCoy Pendergraph	15
Wilbur Frank Lincox	15	Reuben William Rector	15
Henry Watson Crisp	15	Ernest Lee Smith	15
David William Darr	15	James Albert Walters	15
Marshall Dilling, Jr.	15	Coolidge Wright	15
Earl Anders Helms	15	James Lloyd Herring	15
Robert Blackwell Leonard	15		

1974

Joseph Troy Casey	15	Arthur Gwynn Griffin	15
Edgar Floyd Dunn	15	Jesse Wilson Harris	15
George Washington Godwin	15	Frank Lee Jackson, Jr.	15
Thomas William White	15		

1975

Arthur Tyson Baber	15	James F. B. Holt	15
Alvin Edward Baker	15	Dayton Jay Lanier	15
John Catlett Bruffey	15	John R. Litaker	15
Harry James Coates	15	Ira Oscar Lewis	15
John W. Darrock, Jr.	5	John Henry Moss	15
Jesse Howard Felton	15	John Cargill Nicol	15
Hetzel Wayne Folden	15	Charles Taylor Potter	15
Howard William Gouge	15	Harold Raymond Rimer	15
Thomas Walter Greene	15	Thomas W. Woodard	15
Max Hamilton	15		

1976

Oscar Victor Clarke	15	Harold Randolph Snipes	15
Clarence Luther Little	15	Raymond Puckett Umstead	15
Burgess Guy Leonard	15	E. H. Wood, Jr.	15
Oakley Guy Hughett	15		

1977

John B. Adams, Jr.	15	Joe E. Jenkins	15
John E. Barkley	15	John W. Johnson	15
Verne E. Bartlett	15	Millard T. Mcdaniel	15
Elbert W. Cowan	15	Cecil J. Mizelle	15
Charles B. Fleming, Jr.	15	James E. Mosteller	15
Clarence W. Guptill	15	Dewey W. Shelton	15
Goyñ H. Hudler	15	Leon S. Walker	15

1978

Jacob Ray Abernathy	15	Richard Hargrove Long	15
Gordon Leonard Brady, Sr.	15	Billy Fetzer Love	15
John Ralph Harrison	15	James Julius Shroat	15
Farris Allen Hunt	15		

1979

Harry Alexander Allen	15	Gilbert Germaith Mathis	15
Joe Tate Bailiff	15	James Douglas Richardson	15
Monroe McCoy Bolen	15	William Frank Linwade	15
J. D. Decker	15	James Urshel White	15
Augustus Oden Latham	15		

1980

William Augustus Davidson	15	Ephey B. Priest	15
Richard Lee Jones	15	Gerald W. Ringler	15
Robert E. Pennington, Sr.	15	Edwin R. Todd	15

1981

Frank Raymond Abernathy	15	William Arthur Langley	15
Wm. Morrison Blackwelder	15	Robert Coles Loyd	15
Donald Edwin Brown	15	Fred Lawrence McDowell	15
Benjamin Franklin Darden	15	James Howard Navey	15
Charles Leland Davidson	15	Howard Andrew Saunders	15
John R. Edwards	15	Robert Junis Snipes	15
Gideon Gregory Kight	15		

1982

Robert L. Boone	15	Norman C. Miller	15
Elwood Eugene Cayton	15	James Frank Nix	15
Kenneth Lee Davis	15	Thomas Carlton Phelps	15
Bobby Gene Foy	15	Robert Gwyn Shaw	15
C. A. Hamrick	15	Donald Lawrence Sizemore	15
George Richard Hess	15	Howard Harrison Stanley	15
Carl John Hogue	15	Eddie Phillips Stiles	15
Amos Calvin Leggett	15	James Monroe Sutton	15
Roy McDowell	15		

1983

William Johnson Clark	15	William Irvin Reagan	15
William Claude Farrinton	15	Lee Roy Thomas	15
Francis McMordie	15	Eugene Ward Whetzel	15

1984

Walter Leon Newton	15	Nathaniel Wise Whitfield	15
Hubert Edward Batemen	15	Bunn T. Phillips	15
Richard Paul Benton	15	David Franklin McQueen	15
Robert Glenn Capps	15	Rex Allen Girtton	15
Luther Crady	15	Henry Gerald Grant	15
Vernon Thomas Eubanks	15	James Beauford Kiser	15
Lawrence Vaughn Senn	15	Dalton Wayne Mayo	15
Max Whitner Sherrill	15	Fredrick Earl Oglesby	15
Charles Sherer	15	Donald Wayne Rhew	15
Delmon Turner	15	Frank Moulton Wilson	15
John Thomas Wall	15		

1985

Joe Max Andrews	15	Oliver Roberson Godwin	15
David Wesley Angel	15	Dillard Wade Loflen	15
Eugene G. Brown	15		

1986

Gerald Odean Barnes	15	Elzavan Marion	15
George Ervin Bowen	15	Douglas L. Pridgen, Jr.	15
Gene Maurice Clark	15	Ralph Van Shipton	15
James Calvin Creech	15	Charles Richard Smith	15
John Ludwick Goodnight	15	John Smith Thompson	15
Ralph Newell Hamilton	15	James Earl Vann	15
William P. Horne	15	Jack Griggs White	15
Mangrum L. Kelly, Jr.	15		

1987

John Edward Bishop	15	Harold Weston Johnson	15
Michael Monroe Bolen	15	Norman D. Massengill	15
Roy Den Caulk, Jr.	15	William Lee Rainey	15
Ralph David Dudley	15	Ernest A. Reed	15
Jimmy Lee Griffin	15	David Bullock Roberts	15

1988

Hallett Swinson Davis	15	Lewis Conly Odom	15
Dudley Ashe Kinsey	15	John H. Rosser	15
Kenneth Boyce Lance	15	Willett R. Tillett	15
Lane Alan Love	15	Roger Reece Bryant	15
Harold Leon Merritt	15	Elmer Patton Walden	15

1989

Ray Anderson	15	Royal Sanford Jarvis	15
Billy Hoston Barefoot	15	Gerald Franklin Lee	15

Robert Keith Braswell	15	Ralph Mckenzie Lewis	15
Joe L. Cannon	15	Richard Donald Love	15
Fred Willard Carter	15	Raymond Mccurry	15
Douglas M. Chase	15	William Kelly Mcdonald	15
Arleigh Gibson Deyton	15	Ernest Mckenzie	15
Eugene Arthur Dubose	15	Larry Marvin Melton	15
John William Faison, Jr.	15	Jerry Lee Stapleford	15
Dennis Russell Harrison	15	William Ben Stokes, Jr.	15
Charles Edward Holcomb	15	James L. Wentz	15
Johnny Eugene Howell	15	Delmas T. Williams	15

1990

Lee Kyle Allen	15	Clyde Lloyd Newton	15
Paul Irvin Beck	15	Herbert Hover Pate	15
Roy Franklin Collins	15	Reubin N. Rice	15
Allen Edward Hardy	15	Lee E. Wallin	15
Ralph Fletcher Heedick	15		

1991

Kennon E. Blackwelder	15	James Ralph Pinion	15
Norman Garland Hines	15	Winston A. Riddle	15
Ottis R. Jefferson, Jr.	15	Maurice C. Rozzelle	15
Joseph Frederick Krape	15	Starkey Stokes Shaw	15
Carlis Junior Martin	15	Robert C. Spivey	15
Harold Reid Phelps	15	Talmadge Thompson	15
Brooks Franklin Phillips	15	James Battey White	15

1992

Forrest Fain Ball	15	Kenneth Mirron Mullis	15
Robertbentoncollins	15	Samuel Richard Pollard	15
Walterwilliamgrahling	15	Ralph Heywood Seigler	15
Hoyleisaacgrubb	15	Ralph N. Weaver	15
Jamesolverhartman	15	Johnnie R. Williams	15
Hermionjones, Jr.	15	James Vann Wilson	15
Samuele.white	15		

1993

Ted Lewis Conder	15	James Henry Woolard	15
Kenneth W. Fassnacht	15	Jackie Ferrell Wrench	15
James Kelly Hutchens	15	David Doyle Mcleod	15
Larry Eugene Oakley	15		

1994

Marvin Ford Asbill	15	Ralph Eugene Heslop	15
Bruce Bass	15	Thurman C. Jernigan	15
Robert Blythe Bryson	15	Clifford F. Lemere, Jr.	15
Billy Gordon Burgess	15	Earle R. Pursr	15
James Donald Cagle	15	Harold Cleston Ritchie	15
James Michael Carter	15	Joseph Charles Saunders, Sr.	15
William Louis Crawley	15	James Otis Sizemore	15
William Horace Dickerson	15	James Roy Smith	15
Richard Dale Grice, Sr.	15	Mitchell Leroy Spruill	15
Bobby Gene Hancock	15	Mark Dee Stephens	15
Pierre Harry Hanks	15	Alva Jackson Waters	15
Thomas Lee Hartman	15	Charles Ashley Williams	15

1995

Daniel Phillip Lancaster	15	Douglas Spencer Moore	15
Mickey Gene Miller	15	Calvin Gay York	15

1996

James Ray Barnes	15	James Henry Lancaster	15
Frank Lee Collins	15	Johnny Love Reynolds	15
David Gordon Cronk	15	Billie Jewel Wood	15
Mervin Eugne Hogg	15		

1997

William Andrew Adams	15	Jack Stephen Nixon	15
Jimmy Jake Dove	15	Steve Martin Vincent	15
Edd Ray Little	15	William Edward West	15
Robert A. Mcdonald, Jr.	15	Victor Albert Willis	15

1998

Vincent Paul Bonaminio	15	David Lewis Keith	15
Vivian Wilson Green	15	Hugh Lauchlin McLaurin, III	15
Carl Ray Hall	15	Johnnie Jefferson Murray, Jr.	15
James David Heath	15	Robert Decator Street	15

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1787 Samuel Johnston	Richard Caswell	Richard Ellis	Michael Payne	Abner Neale	James Glasgow
1788 Richard Caswell	Michael Payne	James Glasgow	Silas White Arnett	Stephen Cabarrus	William J. Dawson
1789 Samuel Johnston	James Glasgow	Silas White Arnett	Lunsford Long	Stephen Cabarrus	William J. Dawson
1790 Samuel Johnston	James Glasgow	Stephen Cabarrus	Isaac Guion	Frederick Hargett	Matthias Handy
1791 Samuel Johnston	James Glasgow	Stephen Cabarrus	Lunsford Long	Frederick Hargett	Matthias Handy
1792 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	Lunsford Long	John Macon	Frederick Hargett	James Ellis
1793 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Macon	John Lous Taylor	Frederick Hargett	Richard W. Freear
1794 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	John Ingles	Walter Alvis	Richard W. Freear
1795 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	Henry Hill	John Macon	Robert Williams
1796 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	Richard W. Freear	Robert Williams
1797 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	Richard W. Freear	Robert Williams
1798 Wm. Richardson Davie	John Haywood	Montfort Stokes	David Caldwell	Henry Potter	Robert Williams
1799 William Polk	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	Waightstill Avery	Henry Potter	Robert Williams
1800 William Polk	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Winslow	Henry Potter	Robert Williams
1801 William Polk	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1802 John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Hall	Nathaniel Alexander	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1803 John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Hall	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1804 John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Hall	Robert Cochran	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1805 John Hall	Montfort Stokes	Robert Cochran	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1806 John Hall	Montfort Stokes	Robert Cochran	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1807 John Hall	Montfort Stokes	Benjamin Smith	Geo. Lee Davidson	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1808 Benjamin Smith	Robert Williams	Geo. Lee Davidson	Andrew Caldwell	William Boylan	Thomas L. Williams
1809 Benjamin Smith	Robert Williams	Montfort Stokes	Calvin Jones	William Boylan	Thomas L. Williams
1810 Benjamin Smith	Robert Williams	Calvin Jones	Geo. Lee Davidson	William Boylan	Thomas L. Williams
1811 Robert Williams	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	Geo. Lee Davidson	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1812 Robert Williams	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1813 Robert Williams	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1814 John Louis Taylor	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1815 John Louis Taylor	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1816 John Louis Taylor	Kemp Plummer	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1817 Calvin Jones	John Winslow	James Iredell	Simmons J. Baker	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1818 Calvin Jones	John Winslow	Louis Dicken Wilson	Leonard Henderson	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1819 Calvin Jones	James Iredell	Louis Dicken Wilson	Leonard Henderson	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1820 John Adams Cameron	Frederick Nash	Louis Dicken Wilson	John C. Ehringhaus	William Boylan	Bazaleel Gillett
1821 John Adams Cameron	Frederick Nash	Jas. Strudwick Smith	Joseph H. Bryan	William Boylan	Benj. A. Barham
1822 James Strudwick Smith	James Iredell	Joseph H. Bryan	Richard D. Spaight	William Boylan	Benj. A. Barham
1823 Robert Strange	Francis Lister Hawks	Thomas Clancy	Bazaleel Gillett	William Boylan	Alex. J. Lawrence
1824 Robert Strange	Francis Lister Hawks	Thomas A. Pasteur	Bazaleel Gillett	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence

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1825 Hutchins Gordon Burton	Francis Lister Hawks	George E. Spruill	Louis Dicken Wilson	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence
1826 Hutchins Gordon Burton	Francis Lister Hawks	George E. Spruill	Louis Dicken Wilson	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence
1827 Louis Dicken Wilson	John E. Lewis	George E. Spruill	Jesse Speight	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence
1828 Louis Dicken Wilson	John Owen	James Grant	Samuel F. Patterson	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1829 Louis Dicken Wilson	John Owen	James Grant	Samuel F. Patterson	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1830 Richard Dobbs Spaight	Samuel F. Patterson	George Blair	John Hill Wheeler	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1831 Richard Dobbs Spaight	Samuel F. Patterson	Rufus Haywood	Daniel Coleman	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1832 Simmons Jones Baker	William Davidson	Gray Little	John G. Marshall	Dirk Lindeman	Charles D. Lehman
1833 Samuel F. Patterson	Daivd W. Stone	Daniel Coleman	Edmund B. Freeman	Dirk Lindeman	Thomas J. Lemay
1834 Samuel F. Patterson	Daivd W. Stone	Daniel Coleman	John G. Marshall	Dirk Lindeman	John J. Christopher
1835 Lewis H. Marsteller	David W. Stone	Daniel Coleman	Edmund B. Freeman	Dirk Lindeman	John J. Christopher
1836 Lewis H. Marsteller	David W. Stone	Henry Blount	James Maclin	Green W. Ligon	John J. Christopher
1837 David W. Stone	THomas L. B. Gregory ..	William W. Cherry	William B. Dunn	Green W. Ligon	William T. Bain
1838 David W. Stone	Kenneth Raynor	William W. Cherry	Duncan G. McRaie	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1839 David W. Stone	William B. Dunn	John G. Marshall	Daniel S. Crenshaw	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1840 Simmons Jones Baker	William S. Baker	Daniel S. Crenshaw	Kader Biggs	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1841 Daniel S. Crenshaw	Thomas Loring	Thomas E. Pender	Davis Young	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1842 John Hill Wheeler	Jonathan H. Jacobs	Thomas E. Pender	Davis Young	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1843 John Hill Wheeler	David Lowery Swain	Phineas W. Fanning	William P. Taylor	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1844 Phineas W. Fanning	David W. Stone	Thomas S. Clark	Arthur S. Mooring	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1845 Phineas W. Fanning	Thomas Loring	Wiley W. Johnson	Talcott Burr	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1846 Phineas W. Fanning	William Gott	John H. Drake	Peter Adams	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1847 William F. Collins	Clement H. Jordan	Talcott Burr	William H. Mead	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1848 William F. Collins	Clement H. Jordan	John H. Drakes	Joab Hiatt	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1849 William F. Collins	Clement H. Jordan	William G. Hill	Joab Hiatt	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1850 Alonzo T. Jerkins	Cyrus P. Mendenhall	Luke Blackmer	John A. Rowland	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1851 Alonzo T. Jerkins	Cyrus P. Mendenhall	Luke Blackmer	James E. Allen	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1852 Alonzo T. Jerkins	Cyrus P. Mendenhall	Luke Blackmer	William P. Taylor	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1853 Clement H. Jordan	William P. Taylor	Peter Adams	James H. Moore	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1854 Clement H. Jordan	William P. Taylor	William K. Blake	Joseph Green	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1855 Pleasant A. Holt	William P. Taylor	William K. Blake	Joseph Green	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1856 Pleasant A. Holt	Alfred Martin	James T. Alexander	Joseph M. Cox	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1857 Alfred Martin	Lewis S. Williams	James T. Alexander	Joseph M. Cox	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1858 Alfred Martin	Lewis S. Williams	Henry C. Lucas	Daniel Coleman	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1859 Lewis S. Williams	Eli W. Ward	Henry C. Lucas	Eli F. Watson	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1860 Lewis S. Williams	Eli W. Ward	James E. Allen	Charles C. Clark	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1861 William G. Hill	Eli Watson	Daniel Coleman	Rufus K. Speed	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1862 Eli F. Watson	Edwin Godwin Reade	John McCormick	Rufus K. Speed	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain

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1863 Eli F. Watson	Edwn Godwin Reade	John McCormick	Robert W. Best	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1864 John McCormick	Eugene Grissom	Robert W. Best	David H. Stephenson	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1865 Edwin Godwin Reade	John M. Happoldt	Robert W. Best	John Nichols	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1866 Edwin Godwin Reade	Robert W. Best	William Lander	John Nichols	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1867 Robert W. Best	James G. Ramsey	Robert B. Vance	Thomas M. Gardner	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	Donald W. Bain
1868 Robert B. Vance	Ellis Malone	Joseph B. Batchelor	Samuel H. Rountree	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1869 Robert B. Vance	Ellis Malone	John Nichols	Samuel H. Rountree	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1870 Charles C. Clark	Joseph B. Batchelor	John Nichols	Samuel H. Rountree	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1871 Charles C. Clark	Joseph B. Batchelor	John Nichols	Clinton A. Cilley	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1872 John Nichols	Thomas M. Gardner	Clinton A. Cilley	Robert W. Hardie	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1873 John Nichols	Thomas M. Gardner	Clinton A. Cilley	Robert W. Hardie	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1874 George W. Blount	Clinton A. Cilley	Horace H. Munson	Horace H. Munson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1875 George W. Blount	Samuel C. Shelton	Eugene Grissom	Robert V. Blackstock	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1876 Horace H. Munson	Clinton A. Cilley	Robert W. Hardie	James C. L. Gudger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1877 Horace H. Munson	Thomas S. Kenan	Robert W. Hardie	James C. L. Gudger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1878 William R. Cox	James C. L. Gudger	Chas. W. Alexander	Henry F. Grainger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1879 William R. Cox	James C. L. Gudger	Chas. W. Alexander	Henry F. Grainger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1880 Henry F. Grainger	James W. Reid	Robert Bingham	Charles H. Robinson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1881 Henry F. Grainger	James W. Reid	Robert Bingham	Charles H. Robinson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1882 Robert Bingham	Fabius H. Busbee	Charles H. Robinson	William T. Kennedy	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1884 Robert Bingham	Fabius H. Busbee	Samuel H. Smith	Samuel H. Smith	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1885 Fabius H. Busbee	Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1886 Fabius H. Busbee	Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1887 Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1888 Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1889 Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1890 Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1891 Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	Darius S. Waitt	Donald W. Bain
1892 Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	William Simpson	William H. Bain
1893 John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	Walter E. Moore	William Simpson	William H. Bain
1894 John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	Walter E. Moore	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1895 Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	Walter E. Moore	James A. Leach	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1896 Francis M. Moye	William H. Summerell	Walter E. Moore	Beverly S. Royster	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1897 Walter E. Moore	Richard J. Noble	Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1898 Walter E. Moore	Richard J. Noble	Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1899 Richard J. Noble	Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	Walter S. Liddell	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1900 Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	Walter S. Liddell	Francis D. Winston	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1901 Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	Walter S. Liddell	Francis D. Winston	William Simpson	John C. Drewry

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1902 Henry Irwin Clark	Walter S. Liddell	Francis D. Winston	Samuel M. Gattis	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1903 Henry Irwin Clark	Walter S. Liddell	Francis D. Winston	Samuel M. Gattis	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1904 Walter S. Liddell	Francis D. Winston	Samuel M. Gattis	Richard N. Hackett	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1905 Walter S. Liddell	Francis D. Winston	Samuel M. Gattis	Richard N. Hackett	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1906 Francis D. Winston	Samuel M. Gattis	Richard N. Hackett	William B. McKoy	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1907 Francis D. Winston	Samuel M. Gattis	Richard N. Hackett	William B. McKoy	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1908 Samuel M. Gattis	Richard N. Hackett	Richard N. Hackett	F. M. Winchester	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1909 Samuel M. Gattis	Richard N. Hackett	Richard N. Hackett	F. M. Winchester	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1910 Richard N. Hackett	William B. McKoy	William B. McKoy	John T. Alderman	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1911 Richard N. Hackett	William B. McKoy	F. M. Winchester	John T. Alderman	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1912 William B. McKoy	Francis M. Winchester	F. M. Winchester	John T. Alderman	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1913 Francis M. Winchester	John T. Alderman	John T. Alderman	Frank P. Hobgood, Jr.	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1914 John T. Alderman	Frank P. Hobgood, Jr.	Frank P. Hobgood, Jr.	Alex B. Andrews, Jr.	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1915 Frank P. Hobgood, Jr.	Alex B. Andrews, Jr.	Alex B. Andrews, Jr.	Claude L. Pridgen	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1916 Alex B. Andrews, Jr.	Claude L. Pridgen	Claude L. Pridgen	George S. Norfleet	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1917 Claude L. Pridgen	George S. Norfleet	George S. Norfleet	Henry A. Grady	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1918 George S. Norfleet	Henry A. Grady	Henry A. Grady	James C. Braswell	Leo D. Heartt	John C. Drewry
1919 Henry A. Grady	James C. Braswell	James C. Braswell	J. Bailey Owen	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1920 James C. Braswell	J. Bailey Owen	J. Bailey Owen	James H. Webb	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1921 J. Bailey Owen	James H. Webb	James H. Webb	Hubert M. Poteat	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1922 James H. Webb	Hubert M. Poteat	Hubert M. Poteat	J. LeGrand Everett	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1923 Hubert M. Poteat	J. LeGrand Everett	J. LeGrand Everett	Leon Cash	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1924 J. LeGrand Everett	Leon Cash	Leon Cash	John E. Cameron	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1925 Leon Cash	John E. Cameron	John E. Cameron	John H. Anderson	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1926 John E. Cameron	John H. Anderson	John H. Anderson	Raymond C. Dunn	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1927 John H. Anderson	Raymond C. Dunn	Raymond C. Dunn	John J. Phoenix	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1928 Raymond C. Dunn	John J. Phoenix	John J. Phoenix	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1929 John J. Phoenix	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.	B. S. Royster, Jr.	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1930 Edgar W. Timberlake, Jr.	J. Wallace Winborne	J. Wallace Winborne	J. Wallace Winborne	Benjamin R. Lacy	William W. Wilson
1931 J. Wallace Winborne	Herbert C. Alexander	Herbert C. Alexander	P. T. Wilson	John J. Phoenix	John H. Anderson
1932 Herbert C. Alexander	P. T. Wilson	P. T. Wilson	Roy F. Ebbs	John J. Phoenix	John H. Anderson
1933 P. T. Wilson	Roy F. Ebbs	Roy F. Ebbs	Charles B. Newcomb	John J. Phoenix	John H. Anderson
1934 Roy F. Ebbs	Charles B. Newcomb	Charles B. Newcomb	J. Giles Hudson	John J. Phoenix	John H. Anderson
1935 Charles B. Newcomb	J. Giles Hudson	J. Giles Hudson	Watson N. Sherrad	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
1936 J. Giles Hudson	Watson N. Sherrad	Watson N. Sherrad	Harry T. Paterson	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
1937 Watson N. Sherrad	Harry T. Paterson	Harry T. Paterson	J. Edward Allen	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
1938 Harry T. Paterson	J. Edward Allen	J. Edward Allen	Thos. J. Harkins	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
1939 J. Edward Allen	Thos. J. Harkins	Thos. J. Harkins	Charles P. Eldridge	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
		Charles P. Eldridge	James E. Shipman	Herbert C. Alexander	

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1940 Thomas J. Eldridge	Charles P. Eldridge	James E. Shipman	James W. Payne	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
1941 Charles P. Eldridge	James E. Shipman	James W. Payne	Julius C. Hobbs	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
1942 James E. Shipman	James W. Payne	Julius C. Hobbs	Clyde H. Jarrett	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
1943 James W. Payne	Julius C. Hobbs	Clyde H. Jarrett	William J. Bundy	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
1944 Julius C. Hobbs	Clyde H. Jarrett	William J. Bundy	Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.	Herbert C. Alexander	John H. Anderson
1945 Clyde H. Jarrett	William J. Bundy	Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.	Maxwell E. Hoffman	Herbert C. Alexander	Chas. B. Newcomb
1946 William J. Bundy	Maxwell E. Hoffman	Wilkins P. Horton	Wallace E. Caldwell	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1947 Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.	Wilkins P. Horton	Wallace E. Caldwell	Herbert M. Foy	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1948 Maxwell E. Hoffman	Herbert M. Foy	William H. White	William H. White	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1949 Wilkins P. Horton	William H. White	Edwin T. Howard	Edwin T. Howard	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1950 Wallace E. Caldwell	Edwin T. Howard	Robert L. Pugh	Robert L. Pugh	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1951 Herbert M. Foy	Robert L. Pugh	Charles H. Pugh	Charles H. Pugh	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1952 William H. White	Charles H. Pugh	John C. Vance	John C. Vance	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1953 Edwin T. Howard	John C. Vance	Charles A. Harris	Charles A. Harris	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1954 Robert L. Pugh	Charles A. Harris	James G. Johnston	James G. Johnston	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1955 Charles H. Pugh	James G. Johnston	W. Eli Hand	W. Eli Hand	Herbert C. Alexander	Wilbur L. McIver
1956 John C. Vance	W. Eli Hand	Harvey W. Smith	Lester H. Gillikin	Herbert M. Foy	Wilbur I. McIver
1957 Charles A. Harris	Harvey W. Smith	Lester H. Gillikin	James W. Brewer	Herbert M. Foy	Charles A. Harris
1958 James G. Johnston	James W. Brewer	Charles C. Ricker	J. Edward Rooker, Jr.	Herbert M. Foy	Charles A. Harris
1959 W. Eli Hand	Charles C. Ricker	W. Edward Burrier	G. Dudley Humphrey	Herbert M. Foy	Charles A. Harris
1960 Harvey W. Smith	W. Edward Burrier	G. Dudley Humphrey	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1961 James W. Brewer	G. Dudley Humphrey	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Arnold J. Koonce, Sr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1962 Charles C. Ricker	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Arnold J. Koonce, Sr.	Alfred A. Kafer, Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1963 W. Edward Burrier	Arnold J. Koonce, Sr.	Alfred A. Kafer, Jr.	Robert N. Bass, Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1964 G. Dudley Humphrey	Alfred A. Kafer, Jr.	Robert N. Bass, Jr.	William A. Hooks	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1965 Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Robert N. Bass, Jr.	William A. Hooks	Maurice E. Walsh	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1966 Arnold J. Koonce, Sr.	William A. Hooks	Maurice E. Walsh	William W. Mims, Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1967 Alfred A. Kafer, Jr.	Maurice E. Walsh	William W. Mims, Jr.	Berl M. Kahn	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1968 Robert N. Bass, Jr.	William W. Mims, Jr.	Berl M. Kahn	Nathaniel C. Dean	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1969 William A. Hooks	Berl M. Kahn	Nathaniel C. Dean	William L. Mills, Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1970 Maurice E. Walsh	Nathaniel C. Dean	William L. Mills, Jr.	S. Frank Noble, Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1971 William W. Mims, Jr.	William L. Mills, Jr.	S. Frank Noble, Jr.	Hiram J. Casebolt	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1972 Berl M. Kahn	S. Frank Noble, Jr.	Hiram J. Casebolt	Leslie H. Garner	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1973 Nathaniel C. Dean	Hiram J. Casebolt	Leslie H. Garner	William B. Bellois	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1974 William L. Mills, Jr.	J. Earl Watson	Jacob C. Goodman	E. Stansil Aldridge		
1975 S. Frank Noble, Jr.	Jacob C. Goodman	William B. Bellois			
1976 Leslie H. Garner					
1977 J. Earl Watson					

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1979 William B. Bellois	E. Stansil Aldridge	Nelson B. Banks	A. C. Honeycutt	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1980 E. Stansil Aldridge	Nelson B. Banks	A. C. Honeycutt	Cecil J. Liverman	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1981 Nelson B. Banks	A. C. Honeycutt	Cecil J. Liverman	I. Boyd Hopkins	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1982 A. C. Honeycutt	Cecil J. Liverman	I. Boyd Hopkins	Norburn C. Hyatt	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1983 Cecil J. Liverman	I. Boyd Hopkins	Norburn C. Hyatt	Walter F. McCall	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1984 I. Boyd Hopkins	Norburn C. Hyatt	Walter F. McCall	Eddie P. Stiles	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1985 Norburn C. Hyatt	Walter F. McCall	Eddie P. Stiles	L. R. Thomas, Jr.	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1986 Walter F. McCall	Eddie P. Stiles	L. R. Thomas, Jr.	Jerry G. Tart	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1987 Eddie P. Stiles	L. R. Thomas	Jerry G. Tart	B. T. Phillips, Jr.	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1988 L. R. Thomas, Jr.	Jerry G. Tart	B. T. Phillips, Jr.	Lester P. Martin, Jr.	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1989 Jerry G. Tart	B. T. Phillips, Jr.	Lester P. Martin, Jr.	Willett R. Tillett	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1990 Bunn T. Phillips, Jr.	Lester P. Martin, Jr.	Willett R. Tillett	Ray Norris	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1991 Lester P. Martin, Jr.	Ray Norris	Richard G. Moore	William B. Brunk	Sam A. Hennis, Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1992 Ray Norris	Richard G. Moore	William B. Brunk	Clifton W. Everett, Jr.	Jerry G. Tart	Robert P. Dudley
1993 Richard G. Moore	William B. Brunk	Clifton W. Everett, Jr.	William H. Simpson	Jerry G. Tart	Robert P. Dudley
1994 William B. Brunk	Clifton W. Everett, Jr.	William H. Simpson	Gerry T. Smith	Jerry G. Tart	Robert P. Dudley
1995 Clifton W. Everett, Jr.	William H. Simpson	Gerry T. Smith	Thomas W. Gregory	Jerry G. Tart	Robert P. Dudley
1996 William H. Simpson	Gerry T. Smith	Thomas W. Gregory	Charles M. Ingram	Clifton W. Everett, Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1997 Gerry T. Smith	Thomas W. Gregory	Charles M. Ingram	Charles E. Cathey	Clifton W. Everett, Jr.	T. Walton Clapp, III
1998 Thomas W. Gregory	Charles M. Ingram	Charles E. Cathey	William L. Mills, III	Clifton W. Everett, Jr.	T. Walton Clapp, III
1999 Charles M. Ingram	Charles E. Cathey	William L. Mills, III	William G. Mathis	Clifton W. Everett, Jr.	T. Walton Clapp, III

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Michigan (F&AM)	W. Don Baugher, 233 E. Fulton St. Mas. Temple, Grand Rapids 49503	M. D. Jones, 3700 Wedgewood Dr. New Bern 28560	Russel C. Wells, 6530 Post Oak Dr., West Bloomfield 48033
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Grand Lodges, Grand Secretaries, And Grand Representatives

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary and His Address	Their Grand Representative Near Our Grand Lodge and His Address	Our Grand Representative Near Their Grand Lodge and His Address
Europe			
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Asia			
China (F&AM)	10, Lane 201, Chang-An East Rd. Sec. 2, Taipei, Taiwan, China	Henson P. Barnes, 707 Park Ave., Goldsboro 27530	Peter K. C. Tsai
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Lodges Under The Jurisdiction
Of
The Grand Lodge
Of
Ancient, Free And Accepted Masons
Of
North Carolina

Subordinate Lodges

Grand Lodge of AF&AM of North Carolina

Listing
Key

Lodge (District)
Town
Lodge Location
Meeting Night
M-Master
S-Secretary

St. John's 1 (10)

Wilmington
4712 Oriole Drive
2 Tuesday
M-Charlie O. Smith, Jr.
S-Mervin E. Hogg

Royal White Hart 2 (20)

Halifax
Not available
1 Tuesday
M-Arnold G. Cobb, Jr.
S-Wilbur A. Garner

St. John's 3 (7)

New Bern
516 Hancock Street
2 & 4 Wednesday, October-May
2 Wednesday, June-September
M-Brian K. Saunders
S-E. Coy Wetherington

St. John's 4 (11)

Kinston
1810 N. Heritage Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Mark F. Gray
S-Sterling W. Gillikin, Jr.

Charity 5 (2)

Windsor
King Street
2 Monday
M-James W. Perry
S-Carroll S. Credle, Jr.

Unanimity 7 (1)

Edenton
215 E. Water Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Charles F. Kirkland
S-Carlton F. Jackson

Phoenix 8 (29)

Fayetteville
221 Mason Street
2 Tuesday
M-Gregory B. Scott
S-Robert J. Nunes

Johnston-Caswell 10 (21)

Warrenton
611 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Horace S. Shearin
S-George A. Fleming

Caswell Brotherhood 11 (34)

Yanceyville
Firetower Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-Danny L. Crumpton
S-L. Franklin Robertson

St. John's 13 (12)

Kenansville
Lodge Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Bobby G. Howard
S-Snodie B. Wilson

American George 17 (19)

Murfreesboro
College Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Charles R. Woodard
S-Joseph Q. Dickerson

Eagle 19 (32)

Hillsborough
142 West King Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Rory D. Swiggett
S-Ray D. Hardee

Statesville 27 (52)

Statesville
302 E. Front Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Charles T. Childress
S-Grover R. Lackey

Phalanx 31 (42)

Charlotte
4740 Randolph Road
1 Tuesday
M-Charles C. Andrews, Jr.
S-Paul W. Poley

Stokes 32 (43)

Concord
51 Brumley Avenue
1 Monday
M-Roger A. Smith
S-Henry R. Tucker

Davie 39 (2)

Ahoskie
Corner North & Mitchell
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Orrin C. Harrell
S-

Hiram 40 (24)

Raleigh
1520 Caswell Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-John W. Allen
S-John S. Mahoney

Liberty 45 (50)

Wilkesboro
School Street
1 Thursday
M-Roy A. Livingston
S-William R. Brown

Hall 53 (1)

Shawboro
Indiantown Road
1 Wednesday
M-Brian D. Perry
S-Willard J. Wilson

Concord 58 (18)

Tarboro
1601 Barlow Road
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Joseph D. Phelps
S-E. Ray Rogister

Perservance 59 (4)

Plymouth
703 NC Hwy 32 S
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Samuel E. Phelps, Jr.
S-Harrison W. Phelps

Kilwinning 64 (39)

Wadesboro
S. Greene Street
2 & 4 Thursday
2 Thursday, Nov.-Dec.
M-Christopher M. Sanford
S-James L. Woodburn

Widow's Son 75 (1)

Camden
106 N. Hwy 343
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Jerry W. Watkins
S-Lynn H. Berry

Greensboro 76 (36)

Greensboro
426 W. Market Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Lewis R. Clark
S-Parks H. Norman, Jr.

Zion 81 (7)
 Trenton
 Not available
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Michael W. Harriett
 S-Anthony R. Berg

LaFayette 83 (9)
 Jacksonville
 305 Chaney Avenue
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Ricky E. Jackson
 S-Robert P. Savacool

Fellowship 84 (27)
 Smithfield
 907 S. Bright Leaf Blvd.
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Harvey S. Evans, Jr.
 S-Floyd W. Stewart

Morning Star 85 (18)
 Nashville
 220 Barnes Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-Francis D. Rackley
 S-Cicero D. Jones

Skewarkee 90 (2)
 Williamston
 610 N. Smithwick Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-William F. Griffin
 S-Frederick E. Oglesby

Western Star 91 (59)
 Rutherfordton
 329 S. Main Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-
 S-Walter R. Medlin

Jospeh Warren 92 (17)
 Stantonsburg
 8226 Stancil Town Road
 1 Thursday
 M-Thomas E. Dawson, Jr.
 S-Moses A. Tyson, III

Jerusalem 95 (11)
 Hookerton
 201 N. Main Street
 2 Tuesday
 M-Charlie L. Hall
 S-John I. Whitfield

Millbrook 97 (25)
 Raleigh
 2400 New Hope Road
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Patrick A. Gordon
 S-Nelson L. Henthorne

Hiram 98 (15)
 Clinton
 213 Fisher Drive
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 1 Tuesday June, July, August
 M-Edward E. Wells
 S-Russell W. Lewis

Fulton 99 (44)
 Salisbury
 401 N. Fulton Street
 2 & 4 Monday
 M-Victor T. Poplin
 S-S. Jerry Bame

Columbus 102 (31)
 Pittsboro
 121 East Street
 1 Tuesday
 M-Mitchel E. Mann
 S-James F. Norwood

Orr 104 (4)
 Washington
 116 E. Third Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Roy L. Mayo
 S-Harry J. Stokes

Perquimans 106 (1)
 Hertford
 Church Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Paul E. Chappell
 S-Cecil E. Winslow

Franklin 109 (8)

Beaufort
204 Turner Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Albert A. Pokrzywa, Jr.
S-Ottis R. Jefferson, Jr.

Wayne 112 (16)

Goldsboro
2301 Norwood Avenue
1 & 3 Monday
M-Alan R. Brantham
S-Gary T. White

Person 113 (33)

Roxboro
Leasburg Road
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-Victor L. Williford
S-Ronald E. Hicks

St. Alban's 114 (14)

Lumberton
600 N. Elm Street
1 Tuesday
M-John H. Soderena
S-Benjamin H. Blake

Holly Springs 115 (26)

Holly Springs
224 Raleigh Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Christian L. Cypher
S-Robert M. Dixon

Mount Lebanon 117 (17)

Wilson
505 Monticello Drive
1 & 3 Monday
M-Joseph H. Parks
S-Hughes Dillard

Mount Hermon 118 (61)

Asheville
80 Broadway
1 Thursday
M-John C. Hyatt
S-Kenneth B. Lance

Oxford 122 (33)

Oxford
105 W. College Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-George E. Summers, III
S-Donald L. Sizemore

Franklinton 123 (22)

Franklinton
Not available
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Gary E. Bray
S-Donald C. Lancaster

Mill Creek 125 (15)

Newton Grove
Raleigh Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Ralph N. Weaver
S-Dennis R. Sheppard

Gatesville 126 (1)

Gatesville
125 Main Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Gerald H. MacDonald
S-Luther H. Eure

Blackmer 127 (38)

Mount Gilead
109 S. School Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-John R. Strider, Jr.
S-James S. McRae

Hanks 128 (37)

Franklinville
157 W. Main Street
2 Monday
M-David K. Eddins
S-James D. Eddins

Dan River 129 (35)

Madison
110 Decatur Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-John O. Moore
S-Stanley L. Allen

Radiance 132 (11)

Snow Hill

Not available

1 & 3 Wednesday

M-Melvin C. Hill

S-Bennie J. Heath

Mocksville 134 (48)

Mocksville

134 Ridgeview Street

1 Tuesday

M-Larry J. Staley

S-Eugene W. Smith

Leaksville 136 (35)

Eden

419 Thompson Street

2 & 4 Monday

2 Monday in December

M-Thomas V. Franklin, Jr.

S-Walter F. Reid, Jr.

Lincoln 137 (53)

Lincolnton

100 W. Sycamore Street

1 Monday

M-Allen J. Tate

S-Christopher E. Nikiel

King Solomon 138 (10)

Burgaw

Walker Street

3 Monday

M-David W. Paul

S-Ronald D. Graves

Mount Vernon 143 (31)

Bonlee

185 Bonlee-Bennett Road

3 Tuesday

M-Joel T. Talley

S-Earle R. Moody

Junaluskee 145 (64)

Franklin

26 Church Street

1 & 3 Tuesday

M-Robert M. Crisp

S-Joel D. Medford

Cherokee 146 (65)

Murphy

100 Hiawassee Street

1 Monday

M-Ned G. Golden

S-Edward T. Menasian

Palmyra 147 (28)

Dunn

700 Maple Avenue

1 Tuesday

M-Mark A. Tart

S-Clarence E. McLamb, Jr.

Adoniram 149 (33)

Cornwall

College Street

1 Tuesday

M-Ollie D. Jones, Jr.

S-Ben J. Neal

Pee Dee 150 (38)

Norwood

116 West Whitley Street

1 & 3 Thursday

M-Kirk C. Sterling

S-Wesley A. Faulkner, Jr.

Sanford 151 (31)

Sanford

202 Charlotte Street

2 & 4 Tuesday

M-Tony W. Campbell

S-Lee R. Goodwin

Scotch Ireland 154 (44)

Cleveland

104 S. Depot Street

2 & 4 Tuesday

M-

S-Clyde S. Waller, Jr.

White Stone 155 (23)

Wakefield

Not available

2 Wednesday & 4 Saturday

M-William J. Perry

S-Joe D. Medlin, Jr.

Knap of Reeds 158 (32)

Bahama
158 Bahama Road
1 & 3 Wednesday
M-Martin V. Terry
S-Elmer D. Spence

Yadkin 162 (48)

Yadkinville
Not available
1 & 3 Monday
M-Charles A. Lahr
S-Roy D. Casstevens

Archer 165 (23)

Zebulon
NC Hwy 96 S.
1 Saturday & 3 Monday
M-Kenneth G. Westbrook
S-Jimmy L. Hicks

Winston 167 (46)

Winston-Salem
34 Miller Street
2 Monday
M-Lewis E. Peacock
S-Charles D. Sheets, Jr.

Blackmer 170 (62)

Weaverville
70 College Street
2 Tuesday
M-Haskell G. Garrison
S-Vann B. Gibbs, Jr.

Buffalo 172 (31)

Sanford
602 W. Main Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-William C. Gordon
S-Jonathan M. Kelly

Williams 176 (40)

Cornelius
19416 Zion Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Jake W. Williams, Jr.
S-Ralph B. Brown

Carthage 181 (31)

Carthage
302 Saunders Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Burton Q. Perham, Jr.
S-William W. Patrick

Central Cross 187 (18)

Spring Hope
581 North
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Wayne D. Lamm
S-Larry M. Walker

Balfour 188 (37)

Asheboro
632 Sunset Avenue
1 & 3 Monday
M-Phillip E. Williamson
S-Frederick C. Smith

Fair Bluff 190 (13)

Fair Bluff
Riverside Drive
2 & 4 Thursday
M-
S-Homer E. Martin

Granite 191 (27)

Clayton
621 Bolling Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-John Christopher Morton
S-John A. Ferrell

Cary 198 (26)

Cary
1142 East Maynard Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-Walter R. Highsmith, Jr.
S-Carson A. Clippard, Jr.

Cleveland 202 (56)

Shelby
1436 E. Marion Street
1 Thursday
M-Evans E. Rippy, Jr.
S-Roy D. Jackson

Roanoke 203 (20)

Weldon
112 Sycamore Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Donald L. Cox
S-Johnnie L. Pope

Catawba Valley 217 (57)

Morganton
College Street
2 Thursday
M-Thomas A. Brandon
S-Kenneth C. Hamrick

Long Creek 205 (42)

Huntersville
8500 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Road
2 Monday
M-Bernard R. Ellinghaus
S-Larry C. Spangler

William G. Hill 218 (25)

Raleigh
1520 Caswell Street
2 Monday
M-William D. Moon
S-Don R. Bissette

Mingo 206 (15)

Dunn
Not available
1 Monday
M-Steve B. Jackson
S-Dalma L. Core

Olin 226 (51)

Olin
590 Olin Road
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Van D. Galliher
S-Calvin G. York

Lebanon 207 (13)

Whiteville
Not available
1 Tuesday & 3 Thursday
M-Michael J. Hyatt
S-John J. Norosky

Henderson 229 (21)

Henderson
401 Brodie Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Daniel S. Stanley
S-Abner B. Cobb, Jr.

Mount Olive 208 (16)

Mount Olive
Breazeale Avenue
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Rodney B. Wiggins
S-Larry H. Graham

Corinthian 230 (18)

Rocky Mount
1700 Winstead Avenue
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Ted A. Ponko
S-Thadeous C. High

Eno 210 (32)

Durham
Not available
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Eugene H. Pope
S-Herbert C. Lyon

William T. Bain 231 (24)

Raleigh
9433 Ten Ten Road
1 Monday
M-James W. Marcom
S-Charles L. Walton, Sr.

Thomasville 214 (45)

Thomasville
720 Salem Street
1 Tuesday
M-Mark A. Hedrick
S-Alan R. Everhart

Lenoir 233 (11)

La Grange
310 S. Caswell Street
1 Thursday
M-Gordon Parks
S-David A. Letchworth

Mystic Tie 237 (59)

Marion
205 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Michael A. Thompson
S-William F. Cogdill

Wiccacon 240 (2)

Harrellsville
Not available
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Thomas G. Pearce, Sr.
S-Lloyd H. Williams

Grifton 243 (5)

Grifton
108 Gordon Street
1 Wednesday
M-Henry R. Lewis, Jr.
S-Joseph F. Price

Monroe 244 (39)

Monroe
520 E. Franklin Street
1 Thursday
M-Michael M. Sandy
S-Billy W. Canupp, Jr.

Catawba 248 (53)

Newton
22 N. College Avenue
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-Adrian D. Parker
S-Robert W. Jarrett

Pythagoras 249 (10)

Southport
201 E. Nash Street
3 Tuesday
M-Allen L. Bevill
S-John A. Richards

Lee 253 (51)

Taylorsville
108 Second Avenue, SW
2 & 4 Monday
M-Alex J. Oliver
S-Raymond C. Stafford

Kenly 257 (27)

Kenly
500 W. Second Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Jon C. Boykin
S-Thomas R. Jackson, Jr.

Fuquay 258 (26)

Fuquay-Varina
338 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Stephen D. Weis
S-Horace L. Ausley

Waynesville 259 (63)

Waynesville
508 Marshall Street
1 Friday
M-Hugh J. Massie
S-John W. Purvis

Excelsior 261 (40)

Charlotte
3900 Litchfield Road
1 Monday; 2 Monday September
M-Charles E. Jordan
S-David C. Carriker

Hibriten 262 (57)

Lenoir
106 N. Main Street
1 Thursday
M-Jeffrey L. Bumgarner
S-Wayne D. Walker

Gaston 263 (55)

Dallas
S. College Street
2 Monday
M-Ronald M. Millar
S-David A. Yelton

Farmington 265 (48)

Farmington
149 Cemetary Road
2 Monday
M-Jimmy L. Myers
S-James C. Howard

Dunn's Rock 267 (60)

Brevard
211 E. Main Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Joseph H. Burkel, III
S-Tearle J. Conner

Tabasco 271 (34)

Gibsonville
207 E. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-John O. Younger, Jr.
S-Gary L. Brant, Jr.

Bingham 272 (34)

Mebane
307 E. Center Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Glenn B. Everett
S-Albert R. Thompson, II

Beaver Dam 276 (39)

Marshville
Corner Hwy 74 E. and E. Main Street
2 Tuesday
M-Cresful S. Ray
S-Douglas E. Honeycutt

Green Level 277 (26)

Apex
8427 Green Level Church Road
1 Tuesday
M-Stanford H. Morris
S-Michael T. Prince

Rehoboth 279 (12)

Rose Hill
Not available
2 Monday
M-Isaac T. Perkins
S-William E. Wilson, Jr.

Wake Forest 282 (22)

Wake Forest
220 Wait Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-Jerry L. Harris
S-Horace L. Macon

Eureka 283 (44)

Chine Grove
604 E. Church Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Michael W. Overcash
S-Hugh A. Hilton

Greenville 284 (5)

Greenville
1105 Charles Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Robert L. Bitner
S-Lawrence R. Garrett

Salem 289 (46)

Winston-Salem
34 Miller Street
1 Tuesday
M-Raymond W. Gaddis, III
S-Clifford T. Pranke

French Broad 292 (62)

Marshall
Not available
1 Monday
M-Leonard P. Gosnell
S-William A. Ricker

Vance 293 (62)

Weaverville
39 Antioch Church Road
3 Monday
M-Donald L. Whitt
S-David R. Stewart

Atlantic 294 (4)

Swanquarter
Court House Square
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Kevin H. Armstrong
S-Hal G. Swindell

Stonewall 296 (5)

Robersonville
20013 NC 903
1 & 3 Monday
M-James R. Carson, Jr.
S-James R. Carson

Harmony 299 (51)

Harmony
143 E. Memorial Hwy
2 Monday
M-Robert W. Davis
S-William J. Campbell

Aurora 300 (6)

Aurora
W. Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Harry N. Douglas
S-Garland L. Lewis

Clay 301 (65)

Hayesville
Sanderson Street
3 Monday
M-William C. Anderson
S-William G. Burrell

Lillington 302 (28)

Lillington
Not available
2 & 4 Monday
M-Timothy B. Brown
S-William G. Patterson

Pleasant Hill 304 (11)

Deep Run
4545 Mark N Smith Road
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Gregory M. Smith
S-Oscar D. Tyndall

Laurinburg 305 (30)

Laurinburg
12881 Woodrun Drive
1 & 3 Tuesday
1 Tuesday April & December
M-David H. Troxell
S-Billy E. Stout

Raeford 306 (30)

Raeford
900 East Palmer Avenue
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Randall S. Howell
S-Robert E. Vaughn, II

New Lebanon 314 (1)

South Mills
449 Crooked Run Road
2 Tuesday
M-Thomas E. Brickhouse, Jr.
W. Frank Wood, Sr.

Eureka 317 (1)

Elizabeth City
Hughes Blvd.
Every Tuesday
1 Tuesday June-August
M-William T. Felton
S-Larry S. Newell

Wilmington 319 (10)

Wilmington
2910 College Street
1 Tuesday
M-G. Anderson Greene
S-Frank G. Hickman

Selma 320 (27)

Selma
405 North Pollock Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Newton S. Barham
S-Harry E. Greene

Granite 322 (47)

Mount Airy
212 Franklin Street
3 Tuesday
M-Guy R. Watson
S-Stephen C. Gross

Mattamuskeet 328 (3)

Engelhard
Hwy 264 West
2 & 4 Wednesday
M-Wallace E. Lockyer, Jr.
S-Mark A. Harris

Bayboro 331 (6)

Bayboro
108 Vandemere Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Randy L. Miller
S-Johnny W. Rice

Fairview 339 (56)

Kings Mountain
Not available
2 Monday
M-Craig L. Beam
S-Richard L. Williams

Harmony 340 (16)

Pikeville
108 South Railroad Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-John C. Holland
S-Elliott R. Futrell

Hickory 343 (57)

Hickory
30 16th Avenue, SE
1 & 3 Monday
M-Danny J. Wallace
S-Clayton E. Rawn

Numa F. Reid 344 (45)

High Point
443 S. Main Street
2 Monday
M-Matthew R. Pugh
S-Don R. Pugh

Stanly 348 (38)

Albemarle
230 N. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Billy A. Faulkner
S-James A. Burris

Durham 352 (32)

Durham
1811 Palmer Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday June, July, Aug., Dec.
M-Jerry A. Lassiter
S-Cecil R. Lee

Fallston 356 (56)

Fallston
Not available
2 Monday
M-William J. Wright
S-John W. Self

Bakersville 357 (58)

Bakersville
Hwy 226 N
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Roger A. Hoilman
S-Vincent P. Bonaminio

East LaPorte 358 (64)

Cullowhee
Hwy 107
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Michael N. Clark
S-John R. Joachim

Mount Vernon 359 (6)

Oriental
602 Ragan Road
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-David R. Stewart
S-Robert E. Powers

Snow 363 (49)

Boone
240 Temple Drive
1 & 3 Monday
M-Tommie A. Boone
S-John F. Sweitzer

Gastonia 369 (55)

Gastonia
214 South Street
2 Friday
M-Todd G. Melton
S-Richard J. Clanton

Ashler 373 (49)

Deep Gap
Hwy 427
2 & 4 Monday
M-Gene E. Phillips
S-Elster H. Greene, Jr.

Campbell 374 (52)

Troutman
130 E. Church Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Samuel A. Brown, Jr.
S-Joseph H. Brantley

State Line 375 (56)

Grover
115 Mulberry Street
2 Tuesday
M-J. T. Thrift
S-R. Fain Hambright

Youngsville 377 (22)

Youngsville
Not available
3 Thursday
M-Dallas T. Glover
S-Harold A. Strother

Seaboard 378 (19)

Seaboard
301 S. Main Street
1 Monday
M-Magnus T. Flythe, Jr.
S-Reid V. Harris, II

Coharie 379 (15)

Salemburg
Not available
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Robert G. Strickland
S-Stokes D. McKoy

Granville 380 (22)

Wake Forest
686 Woodland Church Road
2 Thursday
M-Elwood P. Davis, III
S-Joseph P. Price, Sr.

Forest City 381 (59)

Forest City
17 Wilkie Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Lloyd E. Moore
S-Dewey H. Webb

Jefferson Penn 384 (35)

Reidsville
110 N. Main Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Joseph M. Lackey, Sr.
S-David J. Walker

Pigeon River 386 (63)

Canton
382 Champion Drive
2 Thursday
M-Nathan E. Robinson
S-Gary D. Teague

Kedron 387 (60)

Hendersonville
229 Fifth Avenue W.
1 & 3 Monday
3 Monday September
M-William L. King
S-Charles E. Holcomb

Friendship 388 (56)

Boiling Springs
Not available
4 Monday
2 Monday December
M-Jimmy A. Bridges
S-Bobby D. Willis

Copeland 390 (47)

Dobson
156 Bray Ford Road
2 Thursday
December 27
M-Gregory S. Journey
S-James O. Hudson

Lebanon 391 (29)

Hope Mills
2222 Golfview Drive
1 Thursday
M-Huckaba W. Barnes
S-E. Gerald Halliburton

Orient 395 (10)

Wilmington
1312 Shipyard Blvd.
1 Thursday
M-James A. Thompson
S-Richard J. Bryant, II

Bald Creek 397 (62)

Swiss
US Hwy 19E
2 Thursday
M-Earl J. Roberts
S-Robert M. Swann

Joppa 401 (59)

Old Fort
Catawba Avenue
2 & 4 Monday
M-Donald E. Jackson
S-Joseph G. Swann, Jr.

Siler City 403 (31)

Siler City
114 S. Third Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-James D. Brooks
S-William H. Elder

Denton 404 (45)

Denton
Corner S. Main St. and Peacock Ave.
3 Tuesday
M-Walter L. Moore
S-M. Kirby Matthews

Ocean 405 (8)

Morehead City
204 S. 18th Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Nelson B. Gillikin, II
S-Ray L. Gray

North Wilkesboro 407 (50)

North Wilkesboro
Temple Street
2 Monday
M-Harvey A. Baity
S-Michael D. Royal

University 408 (32)

Chapel Hill
1211 East Franklin Street
3 Monday
M-Dan C. Critcher
S-Willard G. Campbell

Bula 409 (34)

Burlington
1307 S. Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
2 Monday December
M-Julius M. Hester, Jr.
S-Richard S. Emerson

Bailey 411 (17)

Bailey
6140 Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Donnie H. Liles
S-Jack D. Farmer

Henry F. Grainger 412 (33)

Oxford
105 W. College Street
3 Tuesday
M-Robert L. May
S-William B. Bartholomew

James A. Johnson 413 (22)

Louisburg
Jolly Street & Bickett Blvd.
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-Edgerton L. Watson, Jr.
S-Burt H. Pearson, III

Maxton 417 (14)

Maxton
123 S. Florence Street
1 Monday
M-William A. McRae, II
S-Chalmers C. Morrison

Pendleton 418 (19)

Pendleton
Britton Road
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Marshall E. Lassiter
S-John C. Sing

Harmon 420 (48)

Yadkinville
Ray T. Moore Road
3 Thursday
M-James B. Rutledge
S-James W. Jones, Jr.

Sparta 423 (49)

Sparta
125 E. Doughton
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Arnold C. J. Wagoner
S-Robert M. Haas

Montgomery 426 (65)

Ranger
180 Wingate Road
1 Tuesday
M-Robert W. Whitley
S-Arthur West

Oconee 427 (64)

Bryson City
Clifton Avenue
1 & 3 Monday
M-Carroll D. Sutton
S-Thomas A. Childers

Stokesdale 428 (36)

Stokesdale
8420 Ellisboro Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Clyde W. Howerton
S-Ray M. Comer

Seaside 429 (9)

Swansboro
72 Old Hammocks Road
2 & 4 Monday
M-Edward J. Everhart
S-David J. Gillis

Relief 431 (28)

Benson
S. Lee Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Marvin J. Parker
S-Timothy Raynor

Piney Creek 432 (49)

Piney Creek
Not available
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Kenneth W. Billings
S-David C. Carpenter

Vanceboro 433 (7)

Vanceboro
630 Farm Life Avenue
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Michael A. Harper
S-Milton R. Wiggins

West Bend 434 (48)

Lewisville
6305 Shallowford Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Jerry R. Farmer
S-Clarence O. Huie

Blue Ridge 435 (64)

Highlands
Not available
3 Thursday
M-Larry S. Foster
S-Clemmie L. Henry

Biscoe 437 (38)

Biscoe
5815 Old Troy Road
2 & Last Friday
M-Anthony W. Collins
S-Donnie R. Bostick

Marble Springs 439 (65)

Marble
Not available
2 Tuesday
M-James M. Gregory
S-Bobby R. Welch

Marietta 444 (37)

Ramseur
735 Liberty Street
2 Friday
M-Floyd U. Williamson
S-Wallace E. Jarrell

Biltmore 446 (61)

Asheville
St. Paul & Summit Street
Every Tuesday
M-William A. Greene
S-Clay E. Sorrells

Enfield 447 (20)

Enfield
137 Railroad Street, SE
1 & 3 Monday
M-Ralph G. Willey, Jr.
S-Julius G. Woody, Jr.

Clyde 453 (63)

Clyde
69 Main Street
2 Tuesday
M-Bennie J. Morrow
S-John R. Terrell

Elkin 454 (47)

Elkin
121 Quailtree Lane State Road
2 Tuesday
M-Daniel N. Kiger
S-Edward R. Snyder, III

Dillsboro 459 (64)

Sylva
223 Wilkes Crescent Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Dennis E. Wilkey
S-James S. Mason, Jr.

Cliffside 460 (59)

Cliffside
Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Gerald L. Short
S-Ransome H. Epley, Jr.

Matthews 461 (41)

Matthews
184 S. Trade Street
2 Thursday
M-Gary P. Smith, Jr.
S-Edward M. Noles

South Fork 462 (54)

Cramerton
142 Eighth Avenue
2 Tuesday
M-Christopher B. Lowrance
S-Billy R. Eckard

Currituck 463 (1)

Coinjock
Not available
2 Monday
M-Gary W. Brown
S-Jerry T. Dowdy

Grassy Knob 471 (51)

Union Grove
2772 West Memorial Hwy (NC 901)
4 Friday
M-William T. Sloan
S-David R. Millsaps

Sonoma 472 (63)

Canton
62 Birdsong Trail
1 Thursday
M-Carroll W. Stockton
S-Hugh K. Terrell, Jr.

Lexington 473 (45)

Lexington
200 S. State Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-James C. Orrell
S-Albert B. Gobble

St. Pauls 474 (14)

St. Pauls
314 N. Fifth Street
1 Tuesday
M-Charles D. Hall
S-Anderson H. Jackson

Grimesland 475 (5)

Grimesland
7525 Pitt Street (Hwy 33)
1 Tuesday
M-Randall Spain
S-Weldon E. McLawhorn, Jr.

Rainbow 479 (6)

Arapahoe
8006 NC 306S
1 & 3 Monday
M-Glenwood T. Tyndall, Jr.
S-David G. Bell

Saluda 482 (60)

Saluda
Ozone Drive
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Gregory W. Duckett
S-Harold B. Phillips

Traphill 483 (50)

Traphill
Austin Benham Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Morgan L. Bowers
S-J. Michael May

Southern Pines 484 (30)

Southern Pines
40 Oak Hills Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-William J. Mierisch
S-Louis B. Creveling

Lawndale 486 (56)

Lawndale
Piedmont Drive
2 Thursday
M-Datus C. Gordon
S-Joshua E. Murrow, Jr.

Rich Square 488 (19)

Rich Square
306 E. Jackson Street
2 Thursday
M-Richard T. Spradlin, Jr.
S-Joseph W. Harrington, Jr.

Linville 489 (58)

Newland
Not available
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Thomas C. Clark
S-Tommy L. Singleton

Hominy 491 (61)

Candler
Not available
2 Tuesday
M-Thomas W. Meadows, Jr.
S-David C. Clontz

Thomas M. Holt 492 (34)

Graham
Johnson Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Michael T. R. Benesch
S-Harvey T. Hogan, Jr.

Pilot 493 (47)

Pilot Mountain
689 Key Street
2 Monday
M-Roger L. Kirkman, Sr.
S-Paul W. Shelton, Jr.

Rockingham 495 (30)

Rockingham
1107 Fayetteville Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-Woodrow T. Ingle, Jr.
S-Douglas H. Smith

Mooreville 496 (52)

Mooreville
Institute Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Mariman C. Long
S-Paul E. Cook

Royal Hart 497 (20)

Littleton
US 158 W., McPherson Complex
2 & 4 Monday
M-Harlan J. Gardiner
S-Robert A. Moseley

Ayden 498 (5)

Ayden
East Third Street
3 Tuesday
M-Spurgeon W. Venters
S-Delano R. Wilson

Creedmoor 499 (33)

Creedmoor
Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
2 Monday December
M-Roy G. Moss
S-James N. Matthews

Raleigh 500 (25)

Raleigh
1520 Caswell Street
3 Tuesday
M-Edward E. Adams
S-Gene B. Jordan

Red Springs 501 (14)

Red Springs
301 Peachtree Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Robert S. Hagen
S-Douglas J. Shemanski

Cookville 502 (57)

Vale
7485 Hwy 10
1 Tuesday
M-Shannon B. Livert
S-Pinkney E. Hull

Cherryville 505 (55)

Cherryville
S. Mulberry Street
1 Monday
M-Billy R. Nash
S-U. Jerry Barrett

Belhaven 509 (4)

Belhaven
East Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Johnny M. Smith
S-Bryan K. Davis

Whetstone 515 (55)

Bessemer City
W. Penn Avenue
4 Tuesday
3 Tuesday Decemer
M-James C. Ramsey
S-Ted W. Shiver

Farmville 517 (5)

Farmville
103 Grimmersberg Street
2 & 4 Thursday
1 Thursday Nov. & Dec.
M-William J. Harris
S-William E. Wooten

Widow's Son 519 (20)

Roanoke Rapids
Roanoke Ave. & 3rd Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-James C. Ogburn
S-Jerry L. Moseley

Fairfield 520 (4)

Fairfield
7760 Piney Woods Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Vincent B. Berry
S-Wilbur G. Carawan

Manteo 521 (3)

Manteo
101 Hwy 64/264
2 & 4 Monday
M-Michael D. Schillings
S-Carlisle N. Davis

Rodgers 525 (17)

Middlesex
Not available
3 Monday
M-Luther H. Lewis, Jr.
S-Jimmy H. Brantley

Lucama 527 (17)

Lucama
US 301 South
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Herman L. Barnes, Jr.
S-Emory P. Honeycutt

Fairmont 528 (14)

Fairmont
709 Gertrude Street
3 Monday
M-Robert Linsey Capps
S-William C. McGirt, Jr.

Andrews 529 (65)

Andrews
56 Locust Road
1 Monday
M-Joseph H. Williams
S-Paul D. Parker

Joppa 530 (41)

Charlotte
426 N. Sharon Amity
1 Friday
M-Philip W. Williams
S-Stewart F. deWitt

Hamlet 532 (30)

Hamlet
307 Main Street
2 & 4 Thursday
2 Thursday Nov. & Dec.
M-Toy L. Jones, Jr.
S-William P. Horne, Jr.

Camp Call 534 (56)

Shelby
3801 Polkville Road
3 Monday
M-Larry H. Morrison
S-Thomas E. Covington

Hollis 535 (59)

Hollis
450 W. E. Padgett Road
2 Thursday
M-Morris L. Queen
S-Danny F. Wells

Corinthian 542 (36)

Greensboro
426 W. Market Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Hugh L. McLaurin, III
S-J. Robert Pugh

Spencer 543 (44)

Spencer
114 Fourth Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Tad M. Earnhardt
S-James M. Earnhardt

Mount Holly 544 (54)

Mount Holly
302 W. Charlotte Avenue
1 & 3 Monday
M-Robert L. Cauthen
S-Richard B. Lawing

Roman Eagle 550 (30)

Aberdeen
11611 US 15-501
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Todd E. Steingraber
S-Robert M. Laton, Sr.

Glenville 551 (64)

Glenville
4625 Hwy 107
2 Tuesday
M-Martin E. Jones, Jr.
S-Curley M. Potts

Revolution 552 (36)

Greensboro
802 16th Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Robert W. Warren
S-William D. Maness

Vesper 554 (58)

Spruce Pine
637 Oak Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Van F. Phillips
S-Randy L. Ramsey

Elise 555 (31)

Robbins
470 Hwy 705 S
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Glenn D. Brewer
S-Derek P. Furr

Neill S. Stewart 556 (28)

Erwin
Masonic Drive
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Charles R. Edwards
S-Herbert E. Holder

Ararat 558 (47)

Ararat
Not available
2 Friday
M-Odell A. Sisk
S-Ira L. Armstrong

Swannanoa 561 (61)

Swannanoa
Whitson Avneue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Craig D. Beasley
S-Carl J. Hogue

Waxhaw 562 (39)

Waxhaw
N.W. Main Street
1 Tuesday
M-Brian M. Keith
S-Richard E. Shields, Jr.

Tabor 563 (13)

Tabor City
600 E. Fifth Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Mitchell D. Cartrette
S-Herman W. Stevens

Richlands 564 (9)

Richlands
126 Huffman Town Road
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Richard L. Sanders
S-Robert E. Keene

Wendell 565 (23)

Wendell
27 N. Main Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-David F. Ringley
S-John McClelland, Jr.

Doric 568 (7)

New Bern
2100 S. Glenburnie Avenue
2 & 4 Friday
M-Leonard O. Gatlin
S-Clayton E. Burch

Snow Creek 571 (51)

Statesville
558 Dobson Farm Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-John C. McNeely
S-James A. Dobson, Jr.

Mount Pleasant 573 (50)

Wilkesboro
206 Champion-Mt. Pleasant Road
2 Thursday
M-Aaron Caudill
S-James A. Cashman

Andrew Jackson 576 (44)

Salisbury
401 N. Fulton Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Jeffrey D. Shupling
S-Robert D. Sims

Meadow Branch 578 (39)

Wingate
211 S. Stewart Street
3 Tuesday
M-Jeffrey M. Outen
S-Bobby W. Ford

Casar 579 (56)

Casar
5801 Casar Road
1 Thursday
M-William T. Norville
S-Kenneth R. Beam

Ionic 583 (7)

Cove City
N. Main Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Thomas B. Daughety
S-Benjamin F. Grady, Jr.

Apex 584 (26)

Apex
408 E. Williams Street
2 Monday
M-Robert N. Gelinas
S-James L. Dority

Roseboro 585 (15)

Roseboro
306 NE Railroad Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Winford R. Hales
S-Robert C. Owen

Bethel 589 (5)

Bethel
108 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Dennis A. Roberson, Jr.
S-James W. Futrell

Lowell 590 (54)

Lowell
122 N. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
3 Tuesday July
M-John E. Wilson
S-Charles K. Grissom, Jr.

Maiden 592 (53)

Maiden
18 W. Main Street
2 Monday
M-Zane R. Hudson
S-Bobby E. Sherrill

Stony Point 593 (51)

Stony Point
Ruritan Park Road
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Ronald H. Skinner
S-Jerry L. Durmire

Ashe 594 (49)

West Jefferson
104 S. Third Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-James L. Beckworth
S-James O. Hartman

Wallace 595 (12)

Wallace
407 South Norwood Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Gregory W. Salmon
S-William H. Browder

Waccamaw 596 (13)

Riegelwood
Hwy 87
2 & 4 Monday
M-Hugh C. Gore
S-Jerry A. Caines

Cranberry 598 (58)

Elk Park
Not available
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Michael W. Davis
S-Billy C. Burleson

Queen City 602 (18)

Rocky Mount
1700 S. Winstead Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Robert S. Flowers
S-James R. Thompson, III

Jeff L. Nelson 605 (60)

Tryon
Freedom Hill Road
2 & 4 Monday
M-Glenn O. Thompson
S-Kirtland Flynn, Jr.

Riverside 606 (53)

Catawba
102 N. Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Glenn A. Yates
S-Jacob R. Abernathy, Jr.

Chadbourn 607 (13)

Chadbourn
Strawberry Blvd.
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-George W. Baysdin
S-Jeffrey N. Knight

Zebulon 609 (23)

Zebulon
111 E. Horton Street
1 Tuesday
M-Melvin R. Britt
S-Barna O. Wilder

Atkinson 612 (10)

Atkinson
Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
4 Monday September
M-Eugene R. Floyd
S-Alfred G. Arnett

Home 613 (16)
 Fremont
 Goldsboro Street
 2 Monday
 M-John D. Edmundson
 S-William D. Flowers

Round Peak 616 (47)
 Mt. Airy
 1365 Old Lowgap Road
 1 Friday
 M-Chadley D. Hull
 S-James K. Hutchens

St. Patrick's 617 (27)
 Princeton
 Not available
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Bobby F. Wellons
 S-Sidney A. Wellons, III

Union 618 (43)
 Midland
 12105 Highway 601
 2 Monday
 M-Darrell E. Cline
 S-Charles D. Greene

John H. Mills 624 (21)
 Epsom
 Highway 39
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Leon N. Falkner
 S-Jerry L. Stegall

Cannon Memorial 626 (43)
 Kannapolis
 704 S. Main Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Rodney C. Huffman
 S-Kenneth L. Davis

Belmont 627 (54)
 Belmont
 201 South Main Street
 2 Monday
 M-John V. Austin
 S-Larry E. Watts

Walnut Cove 629 (35)
 Walnut Cove
 810 Summit Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Thomas H. Ford, Jr.
 S-S. Ray Ashby

Francis S. Packard 630 (21)
 Norlina
 Onie Road
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Waylon G. Medlin
 S-Reynolds T. Perkinson

Goldsboro 634 (16)
 Goldsboro
 1002 North Berkley Boulevard
 2 & 4 Monday
 M-Sidney C. Scales
 S-Bradley W. Carmichael

Yadkin Falls 637 (38)
 Badin
 34 Falls Road
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Rodney E. Page
 S-Wayne R. Rummage

Proctorville 643 (14)
 Proctorville
 Main & Pine Street
 2 Monday
 M-Royce A. Britt
 S-Jesse L. Harper

Bladen 646 (13)
 Elizabethtown
 Cypress Street
 2 & 4 Monday
 M-Alton B. Marshburn, Jr.
 S-Horace R. Wyatt

John A. Nichols 650 (61)
 Asheville
 80 Broadway
 2 Thursday
 M-Shawn E. Egelsky
 S-Marcus W. Arrowood, Jr.

Elberta 654 (30)
West End
Hwy 73
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Jim Atkins
S-Marshall T. McQueen

Guilford 656 (36)
Greensboro
426 W. Market Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Latmer S. Bailey
S-Horace L. Bennett

Keller Memorial 657 (44)
Rockwell
Not available
2 & 4 Monday
M-Todd T. Kimball
S-Robert C. Peeler

Beulaville 658 (12)
Beulaville
Not available
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-George C. Weston
S-Douglas A. Turner

Black Mountain 663 (61)
Black Mountain
105 Rock Church Street
1 Monday
M-Jeffrey S. Moore
S-Carl R. Patton

Garland 664 (15)
Garland
471 S. Ingold Avenue
2 & 4 Monday
M-John V. Matthews, Jr.
S-Charles T. Cashwell

West Asheville 665 (61)
Asheville
22 Brevard Road
1 & 3 Monday
1 Monday October-March
M-Jack R. Barnett
S-Alva H. Cowan, Jr.

Fort Bragg 667 (29)
Spring Lake
411 Hwy 210 N.
1 Tuesday
M-Charles L. Tennant, Jr.
S-James R. Nicholson

Holland Memorial 668 (55)
Gastonia
South Street
2 Thursday
M-Jeffrey K. Howe
S-John W. Waldrop, Jr.

Kernersville 669 (46)
Kernersville
700 S. Main Street
1 Monday
M-Michael D. Queen
S-Stewart C. Hodges

Lovelady 670 (57)
Valdese
E. Main Street
2 Monday
M-Michael T. Powell
S-Calvin L. Huffman

Robbinsville 672 (65)
Robbinsville
Church Street
2 Tuesday
M-Bryan G. Farley
S-Jessie B. Aldridge

Spindale 673 (59)
Spindale
101 Davis Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Alan A. Laughter
S-William H. Hynett

Acacia 674 (45)
High Point
443 S. Main Street
1 Thursday
M-Robert E. Williams
S-George B. Hughey

Washington 675 (4)
 Washington
 111 E. Fifth Street
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Frederick M. Mallison
 S-William E. Thornton

Temple 676 (42)
 Charlotte
 4740 Randolph Road
 1 Thursday
 M-Bruce H. Suttle, Jr.
 S-Charles L. Davidson

Warsaw 677 (12)
 Warsaw
 601 E. College Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-James W. Preston, II
 S-Luther C. Jones, Jr.

Providence 678 (3)
 Columbia
 US 64 W
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Jon W. Barnes
 S-J. Frank Furlough

Creasy Proctor 679 (29)
 Fayetteville
 2860 Village Drive
 2 Tuesday
 M-Earl L. Creech
 S-E. Faison Williams, Jr.

Semper Fidelis 680 (9)
 Jacksonville
 727 Henderson Drive
 2 & 4 Wednesday
 M-Richard M. Robinson
 S-William C. Ginn

Piedmont 681 (45)
 High Point
 443 S. Main Street
 3 Tuesday
 M-Thomas M. Petty
 S-Woodroe F. Haywood

Rolesville 683 (23)
 Rolesville
 Pulley Street
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Alfred W. Adams
 S-William G. Arnold

Pioneer 685 (46)
 Winston-Salem
 34 Miller Street
 2 Tuesday
 M-
 S-Frank L. Collins

Angier 686 (28)
 Angier
 Hwy 55 South
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-John R. Ryals
 S-Donald A. Bennett

Fellowship 687 (32)
 Durham
 Watts Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-John T. Killough
 S-Horace H. Lane

Cherry Point 688 (8)
 Havelock
 Not available
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-William T. Rice
 S-Deamous K. Lewis

Scotland Neck 689 (20)
 Scotland Neck
 Main Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-William W. Leggett
 S-Gene W. Todd

Mount Moriah 690 (52)
 Statesville
 302 E. Front Street
 2 & 4 Monday
 M-Gary T. Lowrance
 S-Ralph M. Sisk

Renfro 691 (47)

Mount Airy
212 Franklin Street
3 Monday
M-Henderson C. Whitaker
S-Alvis L. McAlexander

East Gate 692 (40)

Charlotte
426 N. Sharon Amity Road
1 Monday
M-Jerry W. McCoy
S-Clyde E. Bridges

Charles M. Setzer 693 (41)

Charlotte
4301 Stacy Boulevard
3 Monday
1 & 3 Monday December
M-Christopher M. Owsiany
S-Marvin B. Clifford

Gate City 694 (36)

Greensboro
Not available
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Jerry N. Owens
S-Gary R. Ballance

Allen-Graham 695 (43)

Kannapolis
702 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Barry W. King
S-Randy C. Crainshaw

Memorial 696 (45)

Lexington
468 Central Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Gene T. Cutting
S-Douglas T. Sink

Butner 697 (33)

Butner
Not available
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Cecil I. Hudgins
S-Edward W. Willis

Cape Hatteras 698 (3)

Buxton
Hwy 12, 1 mile south of Lighthouse
2 & 4 Monday
M-Michael N. Hedrick
S-Charles R. Larson

Asheboro 699 (37)

Asheboro
325 Sunset Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Jerry L. Hulin
S-Roy E. Johnson

Friendship 700 (41)

Charlotte
4740 Randolph Road
2 Monday
M-Donald R. McDaniel, Jr.
S-Harold A. Kessler

Garner 701 (24)

Garner
406 E. Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Woody F. Sandy
S-John F. Tawney

St. Andrew 702 (40)

Charlotte
4630 Tuckaseegee Road
1 Wednesday
M-Barry L. Porter
S-Gerald R. Burgess

Albemarle 703 (38)

Albemarle
230 N. First Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-John F. Clark
S-Dewey R. Corriher

King Solomon 704 (55)

Gastonia
Not available
2 Tuesday
M-Charles R. Absher
S-Joel T. McSwain

Richard Caswell 705 (11)

Kinston
805 Greenbriar Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Roland G. Chadwick
S-Richard P. Dawson, Jr.

Newport 706 (8)

Newport
235 Howard Blvd.
2 & 4 Monday
M-James S. Thrower
S-Peter J. Guerry

Forsyth 707 (46)

Winston-Salem
34 Miller Street
2 Tuesday
M-Eugene A. Ledbetter
S-Raeford O. Nifong

Crown Point 708 (5)

Greenville
1104 Charles Street
2 & 4 Thursday
2 Thursday December
M-Steven C. Little
S-Roy S. Selby

Conover 709 (53)

Conover
123 First Avenue
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Charles W. Whitson
S-Fred L. Sherrill, Jr.

Advance 710 (48)

Advance
NC Highway 801S
2 Tuesday
M-Richard B. Poindexter
S-Nelson M. Kelly

Piedmont 711 (46)

Winston-Salem
907 Mayford Drive
1 Thursday
M-Michael A. Brooks
S-Eugene H. Durham

Wilson 712 (17)

Wilson
922 Raleigh Road, NW
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Michael W. Cummings
S-Donald R. Tomlinson

Stanley 713 (54)

Stanley
Morris Farm Road
3 Monday
M-Paul L. Bumgarner
S-William T. Cope

Liberty 714 (37)

Liberty
Not Available
1 Thursday
M-Edward R. Smith
S-Roger L. Euliss

Derita 715 (42)

Charlotte
6300 Rumble Road
1 Friday
M-James E. Chappell
S-Allen W. Scott

Burnsville 717 (62)

Burnsville
Robertson Street
3 Thursday
M-Daniel M. Branton
S-Jerry K. Laws

Troy 718 (38)

Troy
Eldorado Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Robert I. Hall
S-Daniel L. Morris

Horse Creek 719 (60)

Columbus
Court House Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-Morris K. Ruff
S-Billie N. Feagan

Cabarrus 720 (43)

Concord
51 Brumley Avenue
1 Thursday
M-Danny R. Kluttz
S-Robert R. Stallings

Burlington 721 (34)

Burlington
1307 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
1 Tuesday December
M-Michael A. Tuck
S-Dale A. Partee

King 722 (46)

King
7850 Masonic Drive
3 Thursday
M-Timothy A. Patrick
S-Larry E. Oakley

Winton 723 (2)

Winton
Not Available
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Richard M. Harrell
S-Harry B. Ward

Berne 724 (7)

New Bern
516 Hancock Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-John G. Whitehurst
S-Howard C. Cashwell

Grantham 725 (7)

Township No. 7 New Bern
1307 Old Cherry Point Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Donald F. Selover, Jr.
S-George E. Herring

Keystone 726 (41)

Charlotte
184 S. Trade Street
2 Wednesday
M-Blair E. Ferguson
S-Arthur G. Bartlett, Jr.

Shallotte 727 (13)

Shallotte
5072 Main Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Guilford W. Bass
S-Douglas L. Causey

Meridian 728 (40)

Charlotte
4740 Randolph Road
2 Saturday
M-David L. Morgan
S-Joseph A. Bentley

Twin County 729 (18)

Rocky Mount
1700 S. Winstead Avenue
2 & 4 Monday
M-Patrick K. McKirahan
S-Daniel W. Howell

Stedman 730 (29)

Stedman
Euclid Street
1 Monday
M-Jack R. Forbes
S-James Hay

John Huske Anderson 731 (29)

Fayetteville
2860 Village Drive
2 Wednesday
M-Gerd A. Hofmann
S-Theodore R. Brinson, Jr.

Bush Hill 732 (37)

Archdale
300 Goodman Street
2 Tuesday
M-Harry A. Green, Jr.
S-Gerald W. Underwood, Jr.

Stump Sound 733 (9)

Sneads Ferry
Charles Creek Road
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Michael F. McGrath
S-Thomas W. McCree, Jr.

William Pitt 734 (5)
 Greenville
 1104 Charles Street
 1 & 3 Wednesday
 M-William C. Harris, Jr.
 S-Lloyd F. Foley

James B. Green 735 (25)
 Raleigh
 512 Lynn Road
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-Clarence E. Wilson
 S-Ronald C. Hollamon

New River 736 (9)
 Jacksonville
 Old Hwy 30
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-James H. Kirtner, Jr.
 S-David L. Odom

Steele Creek 737 (42)
 Charlotte
 9424 Steele Creek Road
 1 Monday
 M-Harold H. Edwards
 S-J. Clifford Austin, Jr.

West Gate 738 (42)
 Charlotte
 5924 Brookshire Blvd.
 3 Monday
 M-Jack A. Davis
 S-John R. Litaker

Newell 739 (40)
 Newell
 1409 Rocky River Road W
 1 Monday
 2 Monday September
 M-Steven J. Guidry
 S-Charles R. Smith, Jr.

Charles B. Newcomb 740 (24)
 Raleigh
 5700 Tryon Road
 3 Thursday
 M-William A. Wood
 S-Donald N. Chesson

Crissie Wright 741 (8)
 Smyrna
 500 Hwy 70 E
 2 & 4 Wednesday
 M-Alton K. Willis
 S-Ralph N. Daniels

Mint Hill 742 (41)
 Mint Hill
 10224 Lawyers Road
 1 Thursday
 M-Donald D. Allen
 S-Weldon R. Needham

J. J. Crowder 743 (25)
 Raleigh
 10020 Falls of Neuse Road
 1 Thursday
 M-William S. Hayes
 S-Charles W. Howell, Jr.

Shelby 744 (56)
 Shelby
 220 E. Warren Street
 1 Monday
 M-Francis R. Ledford
 S-Donald W. Loftis

Vandora 745 (24)
 Garner
 Hwy 50
 1 Thursday
 M-Donald J. Faggart, Jr.
 S-W. Douglas Gamber

P. P. Turner 746 (36)
 Greensboro
 Not Available
 1 Thursday
 M-Christopher M. Reece
 S-Kurt M. VanTine

Ocracoke 747 (3)
 Ocracoke
 Not Available
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Robert R. Despo
 S-Michael T. Lawson

Truth 749 (39)

Monroe
520 E. Franklin Street
2 Monday
M-E. W. Treadaway
S-Jerry L. Honeycutt

Oak Grove 750 (32)

Durham
Not Available
3 Monday
M-Thomas W. Pipkin
S-Walter R. Allen

Old Town 751 (46)

Winston-Salem
5112 N. Causeway Drive
3 Tuesday
M-Kenneth E. Lewis
S-Scott T. Horn

Enterprise 752 (46)

Arcadia
Hwy 150 N
2 Monday
M-Joseph D. Atwell
S-Jackson E. Spease

Federal Point 753 (10)

Carolina Beach
Fifth & Harper
4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-Randall A. Searls
S-William E. Jones, Jr.

Masters 754 (25)

Raleigh
1520 Caswell Street
3 Thursday
M-Arthur E. Turbyfill, Jr.
S-Charles W. Walton

Clemmons 755 (46)

Clemmons
6210 Stadium Drive
1 Monday
M-Andrew F. Dinkins
S-Frederick P. Wood

Clifford Duel 756 (29)

Fayetteville
2860 Village Drive
3 Monday
1 Monday December
M-Andrew O. Drenkhahn
S-Marvin F. Asbill

Denver 757 (53)

Denver
3333 St. James Church Road
3 Tuesday
1 Tuesday December
M-Cecil E. Holcombe
S-James R. Barnes

Oak Island 758 (10)

Long Beach
2408 E. Oak Island Drive
3 Thursday
M-Jerry V. Dove
S-Josh R. Brinkley

James K. Polk 759 (42)

Pineville
204 Dover Street
2 Thursday
M-Willis G. Lockamy
S-Edward W. Boland

NORTH CAROLINA LODGES LISTED BY NAME ALPHABETICALLY

Acacia	674	Charity	5
Adoniram	149	Charles B. Newcomb	740
Advance	710	Charles M. Setzer	693
Albemarle	703	Cherokee	146
Allen-Graham	695	Cherry Point	688
American George	17	Cherryville	505
Andrew Jackson	576	Clay	301
Andrews	529	Clemmons	755
Angier	686	Cleveland	202
Apex	584	Clifford Duell	756
Ararat	558	Cliffside	460
Archer	165	Clyde	453
Ashe	594	Coharie	379
Asheboro	699	Columbus	102
Ashler	373	Concord	58
Atkinson	612	Conover	709
Atlantic	294	Cookville	502
Aurora	300	Copeland	390
Ayden	498	Corinthian	230, 542
Bailey	411	Cranberry	598
Bakersville	357	Creasy Proctor	679
Bald Creek	397	Creedmoor	499
Balfour	188	Crissie Wright	741
Bayboro	331	Crown Point	708
Beaver Dam	276	Currituck	463
Belhaven	509	Dan River	129
Belmont	627	Davie	39
Berne	724	Denton	404
Bethel	589	Denver	757
Beulaville	658	Derita	715
Biltmore	446	Dillsboro	459
Bingham	272	Doric	568
Biscoe	437	Dunn's Rock	267
Blackmer	127, 170	Durham	352
Black Mountain	663	Eagle	19
Bladen	646	East Gate	692
Blue Ridge	435	East LaPorte	358
Buffalo	172	Elberta	654
Bula	409	Elise	555
Burlington	721	Elkin	454
Burnsville	717	Enfield	447
Bush Hill	732	Eno	210
Butner	697	Enterprise	752
Cabarrus	720	Eureka	283, 317
Campbell	374	Excelsior	261
Camp Call	534	Fair Bluff	190
Cannon Memorial	626	Fairfield	520
Cape Hatteras	698	Fairmont	528
Carthage	181	Fairview	339
Cary	198	Fallston	356
Casar	579	Farmington	265
Caswell Brotherhood	11	Farmville	517
Catawba	248	Federal Point	753
Catawba Valley	217	Fellowship	84, 687
Central Cross	187	Forest City	381
Chadbourn	607	Forsyth	707

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Fort Bragg	667	Junaluskee	145
Francis S. Packard	630	Kedron	387
Franklin	109	Keller Memorial	657
Franklinton	123	Kenly	257
French Broad	292	Kernersville	669
Friendship	700	Keystone	726
Fulton	99	Kilwinning	64
Fuquay	258	King	722
Garland	664	King Solomon	138, 704
Garner	701	Knap of Reeds	158
Gaston	263	LaFayette	83
Gastonia	369	Laurinburg	305
Gate City	694	Lawndale	486
Gatesville	126	Leaksville	136
Glenville	551	Lebanon	207, 391
Goldsboro	634	Lee	253
Granite	191, 322	Lenoir	233
Grantham	725	Lexington	473
Granville	380	Liberty	45, 714
Grassy Knob	471	Lillington	302
Green Level	277	Lincoln	137
Greensboro	76	Linville	489
Greenville	284	Long Creek	205
Grifton	243	Lovelady	670
Grimesland	475	Lowell	590
Guilford	656	Lucama	527
Hall	53	Maiden	592
Hamlet	532	Manteo	521
Hanks	128	Marble Springs	439
Harmon	420	Masters	754
Harmony	299, 340	Marietta	444
Henderson	229	Mattamuskeet	328
Henry F. Grainger	412	Matthews	461
Hibriten	262	Maxton	417
Hickory	343	Meadow Branch	578
Hiram	40, 98	Memorial	696
Holland Memorial	668	Meridian	728
Hollis	535	Millbrook	97
Holly Springs	115	Mill Creek	125
Hominy	491	Mingo	206
Home	613	Mint Hill	742
Horse Creek	719	Mocksville	134
Ionic	583	Monroe	244
James A. Johnson	413	Montgomery	426
James B. Green	735	Mooresboro	388
James K. Polk	759	Mooresville	496
Jefferson Penn	384	Morning Star	85
Jeff L. Nelson	605	Mount Hermon	118
Jerusalem	95	Mount Holly	544
J. J. Crowder	743	Mount Lebanon	117
John A. Nichols	650	Mount Moriah	690
John Huske Anderson	731	Mount Olive	208
John H. Mills	624	Mount Pleasant	573
Johnston-Caswell	10	Mount Vernon	143, 359
Joppa	401, 530	Mystic Tie	237
Joseph Warren	92	Neill S. Stewart	556

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Newell	739	Royal Hart	497
New Lebanon	314	Royal White Hart	2
Newport	706	Salem	289
New River	736	Saluda	482
North Wilkesboro	407	Sanford	151
Numa F. Reid	344	Scotch Ireland	154
Oak Grove	750	Scotland Neck	689
Oak Island	758	Seaboard	378
Ocean	405	Seaside	429
Oconee	427	Selma	320
Ocracoke	747	Semper Fidelis	680
Old Town	751	Shallotte	727
Olin	226	Shelby	744
Orient	395	Siler City	403
Orr	104	Skewarkee	90
Oxford	122	Snow	363
Palmyra	147	Snow Creek	571
Pee Dee	150	Sonoma	472
Pendleton	418	Southern Pines	484
Perquimans	106	South Fork	462
Perseverance	59	Sparta	423
Person	113	Spencer	543
Phalanx	31	Spindale	673
Phoenix	8	St. Alban's	114
Piedmont	681, 711	St. Andrew	702
Pigeon River	386	St. John's	1, 3, 4, 13
Pilot	493	Stanley	713
Piney Creek	432	Stanly	348
Pioneer	685	State Line	375
Pleasant Hill	304	Statesville	27
P. P. Turner	746	Stedman	730
Proctorville	643	Steele Creek	737
Providence	678	Stokes	32
Pythagoras	249	Stokesdale	428
Queen City	602	Stonewall	296
Radiance	132	Stony Point	593
Raeford	306	St. Patrick's	617
Rainbow	479	St. Paul's	474
Raleigh	500	Stump Sound	733
Red Springs	501	Swannanoa	561
Rehoboth	279	Tabasco	271
Relief	431	Tabor	563
Renfro	691	Temple	676
Revolution	552	Thomas M. Holt	492
Richard Caswell	705	Thomasville	214
Richlands	564	Traphill	483
Rich Square	488	Troy	718
Riverside	606	Truth	749
Roanoke	203	Twin County	729
Robbinsville	672	Unanimity	7
Rockingham	495	Union	618
Rodgers	525	University	408
Rolesville	683	Vance	293
Roman Eagle	550	Vanceboro	433
Roseboro	585	Vandora	745
Round Peak	616	Vesper	554

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Waccamaw	596	Widow's Son	75, 519
Wake Forest	282	William G. Hill	218
Walnut Cove	629	William Pitt	734
Warsaw	677	Williams	176
Washington	675	William T. Bain	231
Waxhaw	562	Wilmington	319
Wayne	112	Wilson	712
Waynesville	259	Winston	167
Wendell	565	Winton	723
West Asheville	665	Yadkin	162
West Bend	434	Yadkin Falls	637
West Gate	738	Youngsville	377
Western Star	91	Zebulon	609
Whetstone	515	Zion	81
White Stone	155		
Wiccacon	240		

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Aberdeen	550	Clayton	191
Advance	710	Clemmons	755
Ahoskie	39	Cleveland	154
Albemarle	348, 703	Cliffside	460
Andrews	529	Clinton	98
Angier	686	Clyde	453
Apex	584	Coinjock	463
Apex, Rt. 3	277	Columbia	678
Arapahoe	479	Columbus	719
Ararat	558	Concord	32, 720
Arcadia	752	Conover	709
Archdale	732	Cornelius	176
Asheboro	188, 699	Cornwall	149
Asheville	118, 188, 446, 650, 665	Cove City	583
Atkinson	612	Cramerton	462
Aurora	300	Creedmoor	499
Ayden	498	Dallas	263
Badin	637	Deep Gap	373
Bahama	158	Deep Run	304
Bailey	411	Denver	757
Bakersville	357	Dobson, Rt. 2	390
Bayboro	331	Dunn	147
Beaufort	109	Dunn, RFD	206
Beulaville	658	Durham	210, 352, 687, 750
Belhaven	509	East LaPort	358
Belmont	627	Edenton	7
Benson	431	Elizabeth City	317
Bessemer City	515	Elizabethtown	646
Bethel	589	Elkin	454
Biscoe	437	Elk Park	598
Black Mountain	663	Enfield	447
Bonlee	143	Engelhard	328
Boone	363	Epsom	624
Brevard	267	Erwin	556
Bryson City	427	Fair Bluff	190
Burgaw	138	Fairfield	520
Burlington	409, 721	Fairmont	528
Burnsville	717	Fallston	356
Butner	697	Farmington	265
Buxton	698	Farmville	517
Camden	75	Fayetteville	8, 679, 731, 756
Candler	491	Forest City	381
Canton	386	Franklin	145
Canton, Rt. 2	472	Franklinton	123
Carthage	181	Franklinville	128
Cary	198	Fremont	613
Casar	579	Fuquay-Varina	258
Catawba	606	Garland	664
Chadbourn	607	Garner	701, 745
Chapel Hill	408	Gastonia	369, 668, 704
Charlotte	31, 261, 530, 676, 692, 693, 700, 702, 715, 726, 728, 738	Gatesville	126
Carolina Beach	753	Gibsonville	271
Charlotte, RFD	737	Glenville	551
Cherryville	505	Goldsboro	112, 634
China Grove	283	Graham	492

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Grantham, No. 7 Township (New Bern)	725	Matthews	461
Greensboro 76, 542, 552, 656, 694, 746		Maxton	417
Greenville 284, 708, 734		Mebane	272
Grifton	243	Middlesex	525
Grimesland	475	Midland	618
Grover	375	Mint Hill	742
Halifax	2	Mocksville	134
Hamlet	532	Monroe	244, 749
Harmony	299	Mooresboro	388
Harrellsville	240	Mooresville	496
Havelock	688	Morehead City	405
Hayesville	301	Morganton	217
Henderson	229	Mount Airy	322, 691
Hendersonville	387	Mount Airy, Rt. 3	616
Hertford	106	Mount Gilead	127
Hickory	343	Mount Holly	544
Highlands	435	Mount Olive	208
High Point	344, 674, 681	Murfreesboro	17
Hillsborough	19	Murphy	146
Hollis	535	Nashville	85
Holly Springs	115	New Bern	3, 568, 724
Hookerton	95	Newell	739
Hope Mills	391	Newland	489
Huntersville	205	Newport	706
Jacksonville	83, 680, 736	Newton	248
Kannapolis	626, 695	Newton Grove	125
Kenansville	13	Norlina	630
Kenly	257	North Wilkesboro	407
Kernersville	669	Norwood	150
King	722	Ocracoke	747
Kings Mountain	339	Old Fort	401
Kinston	4, 705	Olin	226
LaGrange	233	Oriental	359
Laurinburg	305	Oxford	122
Lawndale	486	Oxford, Rt. 5	412
Leaksville	136	Pendleton	418
Lenoir	262	Pikeville	340
Lewisville	434	Pilot Mountain	493
Lexington	473, 696	Pineville	759
Liberty	714	Piney Creek	432
Lillington	302	Polkville	7, 534
Lincolnton	137	Pittsboro	102
Littleton	497	Plymouth	59
Long Beach	758	Princeton	617
Louisburg	413	Proctorville	643
Lowell	590	Raeford	306
Lucama	527	Raleigh	40, 97, 218, 231, 500, 735, 740, 743, 754
Lumberton	114	Ramseur	444
Madison	129	Ranger	426
Maiden	592	Red Springs	501
Manteo	521	Reidsville	384
Marble	439	Richlands	564
Marion	237	Rich Square	488
Marshall	292	Riegelwood	596
Marshville	276	Roanoke Rapids	519
		Robbins	555

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Robbinsville	672	Sylva	459
Robersonville	296	Tabor City	563
Rockingham	495	Tarboro	58
Rockwell	657	Taylorsville	253
Rocky Mount	230, 602, 729	Thomasville	214
Rolesville	683	Trap Hill	483
Roseboro	585	Trenton	81
Rose Hill	279	Troutman	374
Roxboro	113	Troy	718
Rutherfordton	91	Tryon	605
St. Paul's	474	Union Grove	471
Salemberg	379	Valdese	670
Salisbury	99, 576	Vale	502
Saluda	482	Vanceboro	433
Sanford	151, 172	Wadesboro	64
Scotland Neck	689	Wakefield	155
Seaboard	378	Wake Forest	282
Selma	320	Wake Forest, Rt. 3	380
Shallotte	727	Wallace	595
Shawboro, Star Route	53	Walnut Cove	629
Shelby	202, 744	Warrenton	10
Siler City	403	Warsaw	677
Smithfield	84	Washington	104, 675
Smyrna	741	Waxhaw	562
Sneads Ferry	733	Waynesville	259
Snow Hill	132	Weaverville	170
Southern Pines	484	Weldon	203
South Mills	314	Wendell	565
Southport	249	West End	654
Sparta	423	West Jefferson	594
Spencer	543	Whiteville	207
Spindale	673	Wilkesboro	45
Spring Hope, Rt. 2	187	Wilkesboro, Rt. 1	573
Spring Lake	667	Williamston	90
Spruce Pine	554	Wilmington	1, 319, 395
Stanley	713	Wilson	117, 712
Stantonsburg	92	Windsor	5
Statesville	27, 690	Wingate	578
Statesville, Rt. 5	571	Winston-Salem	167, 289, 685
Stedman	730		711, 751
Stocksville	293	Winton	723
Stokesdale	428	Yadkinville	162
Stony Point	593	Yadkinville, Rt. 3	420
Swannanoa	561	Yanceyville	11
Swan Quarter	294	Youngsville	377
Swansboro	429	Zebulon	165, 609
Swiss	397		

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1. Alamance	272, 409, 492, 721
2. Alexander	253, 593
3. Alleghany	423, 432
4. Anson	64
5. Ashe	594
6. Avery	489, 598
7. Beaufort	104, 300, 509, 675
8. Bertie	5
9. Bladen	646
10. Brunswick	249, 727, 758
11. Buncombe	118, 170, 293, 446, 491, 561, 650, 663, 665
12. Burke	217, 670
13. Cabarrus	32, 618, 626, 695, 720
14. Caldwell	262
15. Camden	75, 314
16. Carteret	109, 405, 706, 741
17. Caswell	11
18. Catawba	248, 343, 502, 592, 606, 709
19. Chatham	102, 143, 403
20. Cherokee	146, 426, 439, 529
21. Chowan	7
22. Clay	301
23. Cleveland	202, 339, 356, 375, 388, 486, 534, 579, 744
24. Columbus	190, 207, 563, 596, 607
25. Craven	3, 433, 568, 583, 688, 724, 725
26. Cumberland	8, 391, 667, 679, 730, 731, 756
27. Currituck	53, 463
28. Dare	521, 698
29. Davidson	214, 404, 473, 696
30. Davie	134, 265, 710
31. Duplin	13, 279, 595, 658, 677
32. Durham	158, 210, 352, 687, 750
33. Edgecombe	58
34. Forsyth	167, 289, 434, 669, 685, 707, 711, 751, 752, 755
35. Franklin	123, 377, 413, 624
36. Gaston	263, 369, 462, 505, 515, 544, 590, 627, 668, 704, 713
37. Gates	126
38. Graham	672
39. Granville	122, 149, 380, 412, 499, 697
40. Greene	95, 132
41. Guilford	76, 271, 344, 428, 542, 552, 656, 674, 681, 694, 746
42. Halifax	2, 203, 447, 497, 519, 689
43. Harnett	147, 302, 556, 686
44. Haywood	259, 386, 453, 472
45. Henderson	387
46. Hertford	17, 39, 240, 684, 723
47. Hoke	306
48. Hyde	294, 328, 520, 747
49. Iredell	27, 226, 299, 374, 471, 496, 571, 690
50. Jackson	358, 459, 551
51. Johnston	84, 165, 191, 257, 320, 431, 617
52. Jones	81
53. Lee	151, 172
54. Lenoir	4, 233, 304, 705
55. Lincoln	137, 757
56. Macon	145, 435
57. Madison	292

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60. Mecklenburg	31, 176, 205, 261, 461, 530, 676 692, 693, 700, 702, 715, 726, 728, 737, 738, 739, 742, 759
61. Mitchell	357, 554
62. Montgomery	127, 437, 718
63. Moore	181, 484, 550, 555, 654
64. Nash	85, 187, 230, 411, 525, 602, 729
65. New Hanover	1, 319, 395, 753
66. Northampton	378, 418, 488
67. Onslow	83, 429, 564, 680, 733, 736
68. Orange	19, 408
69. Pamlico	331, 359, 479
70. Pasquotank	317
71. Pender	138, 612
72. Perquimans	106
73. Person	113
74. Pitt	243, 284, 475, 498, 517, 589, 708, 734
75. Polk	482, 605, 719
76. Randolph	128, 188, 444, 699, 714, 732
77. Richmond	495, 532
78. Robeson	114, 417, 474, 501, 528, 643
79. Rockingham	129, 136, 384
80. Rowan	99, 154, 283, 543, 576, 657
81. Rutherford	91, 381, 460, 535, 673
82. Sampson	98, 125, 206, 379, 585, 664
83. Scotland	305
84. Stanly	150, 348, 637, 703
85. Stokes	629, 722
86. Surry	322, 390, 454, 558, 616, 691
87. Swain	427
88. Transylvania	267
89. Tyrrell	678
90. Union	244, 276, 562, 578, 749
91. Vance	229
92. Wake	40, 97, 115, 155, 198, 218, 231, 258, 277, 282, 500, 565, 584, 609, 683, 701, 735, 740, 743, 745, 754
93. Warren	10, 630
94. Washington	59
95. Watauga	363, 373
96. Wayne	112, 208, 340, 613, 634
97. Wilkes	45, 407, 483, 573
98. Wilson	92, 117, 527, 712
99. Yadkin	162, 420
100. Yancey	397, 717

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1.	7, 53, 75, 106, 126, 314, 317, 463
2.	5, 39, 90, 240, 723
3.	328, 521, 678, 698, 747
4.	59, 104, 294, 509, 520, 675
5.	243, 284, 296, 475, 498, 517, 589, 708, 734
6.	300, 331, 359, 479
7.	3, 81, 433, 568, 583, 724, 725
8.	109, 405, 688, 706, 741
9.	83, 429, 564, 680, 733, 736
10.	1, 138, 249, 319, 395, 612, 753, 758
11.	4, 95, 132, 233, 304, 705
12.	13, 279, 595, 658, 677
13.	190, 207, 563, 596, 607, 646, 727
14.	114, 417, 474, 501, 528, 643
15.	98, 125, 206, 379, 585, 664
16.	112, 208, 340, 613, 634
17.	92, 117, 411, 525, 527, 712
18.	58, 85, 187, 230, 602, 729
19.	17, 378, 418, 488
20.	2, 203, 447, 497, 519, 689
21.	10, 229, 624, 630
22.	282, 380, 123, 377, 413
23.	155, 165, 565, 609, 683
24.	40, 231, 701, 740, 745
25.	97, 218, 500, 735, 743, 754
26.	115, 198, 258, 277, 584
27.	84, 191, 257, 320, 617
28.	147, 302, 431, 556, 686
29.	8, 391, 667, 679, 730, 731, 756
30.	305, 306, 484, 495, 532, 550, 654
31.	102, 143, 151, 172, 181, 403, 555
32.	19, 158, 210, 352, 408, 687, 750
33.	113, 122, 149, 412, 499, 697
34.	11, 271, 272, 409, 492, 721
35.	129, 136, 384, 629
36.	76, 428, 542, 552, 656, 694, 746
37.	128, 188, 444, 699, 714, 732
38.	127, 150, 348, 437, 637, 703, 718
39.	64, 244, 276, 562, 578, 749
40.	176, 261, 692, 702, 728, 739
41.	461, 530, 693, 700, 726, 742
42.	31, 205, 676, 715, 737, 738, 759
43.	32, 618, 626, 695, 720
44.	99, 154, 283, 543, 576, 657
45.	214, 344, 404, 473, 674, 681, 696
46.	167, 289, 669, 685, 707, 711, 722, 751, 752, 755
47.	322, 390, 454, 493, 558, 616, 691
48.	134, 162, 265, 420, 434, 710
49.	363, 373, 423, 432, 594
50.	45, 407, 483, 573
51.	226, 253, 299, 471, 571, 593
52.	27, 374, 496, 690
53.	137, 248, 592, 606, 709, 757
54.	462, 544, 590, 627, 713
55.	263, 369, 505, 515, 668, 704
56.	202, 339, 356, 375, 388, 486, 534, 579, 744
57.	217, 262, 343, 502, 670

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58.	357, 489, 54, 598
59.	91, 237, 381, 401, 460, 535, 673
60.	267, 387, 482, 605, 719
61.	118, 446, 491, 561, 650, 663, 665
62.	170, 292, 293, 397, 717
63.	259, 386, 453, 472
64.	145, 358, 427, 435, 459, 551
65.	146, 301, 426, 439, 529, 672

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**North Carolina Lodges
Listed Numerically**

Lodge Name	Lodge Number	District	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Restored	Expelled	Suspended UMC	Excluded NPD	Demitted	Died	Membership 1997	Membership 1998	Gains (Losses)	Rejected	Exempt Members	Fees	Dues	Affiliation Fees	Lodge Number
St. John's	1	10	7	5	5	3	3	0	1	12	5	13	497	477	-20	1	43	100.00	45.00	0.00	1
Royal White Hart	2	20	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	65	64	-1	0	5	50.00	40.00	10.00	2
St. John's	3	7	2	1	2	4	0	0	0	3	1	9	318	311	-7	0	10	75.00	35.00	30.00	3
St. John's	4	11	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	2	4	197	189	-8	0	31	100.00	60.00		4
Charity	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	71	71	0	0	14	0.00	30.00		5
Unanimity	7	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	124	121	-3	0	9	75.00	35.00	10.00	7
Phoenix	8	29	25	20	22	3	2	0	0	12	3	14	417	415	-2	0	22	100.00	35.00	5.00	8
Johnston Caswell	10	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	51	48	-3	0	1	0.00	50.00		10
Caswell Brotherhood	11	34	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	115	113	-2	0	2	75.00	35.00		11
St. John's	13	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	83	81	-2	0	9	60.00	60.00	0.00	13
American George	17	19	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	3	78	76	-2	0	8	60.00	50.00	4.50	17
Eagle	19	32	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	145	144	-1	1	7	75.00	60.00		19
Statenville	27	52	2	1	0	4	2	0	0	6	5	6	176	175	-1	0	9	60.00	50.00	0.00	27
Phalanx	31	42	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	2	2	175	159	-16	0	15	100.00	50.00	0.00	31
Stokes	32	43	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	5	0	10	280	267	-13	1	17	75.00	50.00	0.00	32
Davie	39	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	10	188	174	-14	2	18	100.00	35.00	0.00	39
Hiram	40	25	7	7	3	1	2	0	0	7	3	18	353	331	-22	0	21	75.00	60.00	25.00	40
Liberty	45	50	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	134	129	-5	0	9	100.00	50.00	0.00	45
Hall	53	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	106	104	-2	0	14	100.00	45.00	0.00	53
Concord	58	18	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	3	3	2	130	122	-8	0	3	100.00	60.00	0.00	58
Perseverance	59	4	4	4	3	1	1	1	0	2	0	5	162	158	-4	0	16	50.00	60.00	0.00	59
Kilwinning	64	39	6	10	10	1	1	1	0	0	0	6	176	181	5	0	6	100.00	40.00	0.00	64
Widow's Son	75	1	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	79	78	-1	0	10	100.00	45.00	10.00	75
Greensboro	76	36	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	4	1	7	248	238	-10	0	31	100.00	35.00	0.00	76
Zion	81	7	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	130	125	-5	0	5	100.00	35.00	15.00	81
LaFayette	83	9	6	1	1	0	1	0	0	9	5	9	292	271	-21	0	20	100.00	50.00	0.00	83
Fellowship	84	27	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	163	157	-6	0	14	75.00	60.00	20.00	84

Morning Star	85	18	1	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	100	102	2	0	5	50.00	40.00	10.00	85
Skewarkee	90	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	6	134	126	-8	0	3	75.00	50.00	0.00	90
Western Star	91	59	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	3	96	96	0	0	5	100.00	50.00	0.00	91
Joseph Warren	92	17	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50	51	1	0	3	50.00	40.00	0.00	92
Jerusalem	95	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	1	50.00	15.00	0.00	95
Millbrook	97	25	6	2	2	5	0	0	0	6	1	2	204	202	-2	0	3	75.00	45.00	5.00	97
Hiram	98	15	7	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	235	230	-5	0	15	100.00	50.00	0.00	98
Fulton	99	44	10	7	7	0	0	0	0	6	0	7	215	209	-6	1	16	75.00	50.00	0.00	99
Columbus	102	13	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	79	78	-1	0	5	100.00	50.00	0.00	102
Orr	104	4	7	8	10	3	1	0	0	3	1	7	167	170	3	1	7	50.00	50.00	25.00	104
Perquimans	106	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	120	117	-3	2	17	75.00	25.00	10.00	106
Franklin	109	4	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	3	293	289	-4	2	28	100.00	40.00	10.00	109
Wayne	112	16	1	2	4	0	2	0	0	4	3	4	299	294	-5	1	22	125.00	45.00	0.00	112
Person	113	33	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	103	100	-3	0	10	100.00	75.00	10.00	113
St Alban's	114	14	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	8	283	276	-7	0	24	100.00	35.00	0.00	114
Holly Springs	115	26	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	37	36	-1	0	1	100.00	50.00	0.00	115
Mount Lebanon	117	17	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	149	149	0	0	12	100.00	40.00	2.50	117
Mount Hermon	118	61	3	3	1	2	2	0	0	0	1	9	238	233	-5	0	23	85.00	40.00	5.00	118
Oxford	122	33	7	8	7	1	0	0	0	0	1	8	217	216	-1	0	6	100.00	50.00	0.00	122
Franklinton	123	22	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	91	91	0	0	0	90.00	50.00	0.00	123
Mill Creek	125	15	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	109	110	1	0	5	75.00	50.00	15.00	125
Gatesville	126	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	102	99	-3	0	10	50.00	40.00	10.00	126
Blackmer	127	38	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	4	134	132	-2	0	4	85.00	40.00	0.00	127
Hanks	128	37	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	70	69	-1	0	2	100.00	50.00	0.00	128
Dan River	129	35	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	4	136	131	-5	1	11	100.00	40.00	0.00	129
Radiance	132	11	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	75	70	-5	0	7	75.00	50.00	0.00	132
Mocksville	134	48	4	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	137	140	3	0	11	100.00	50.00	3.00	134
Leaksville	136	35	11	14	14	1	0	0	0	1	0	6	205	213	8	0	10	125.00	50.00	10.00	136
Lincoln	137	53	5	2	2	0	4	0	0	1	0	3	245	247	2	1	12	100.00	30.00	0.00	137
King Solomon	138	10	4	3	4	3	1	0	0	6	3	6	103	96	-7	2	5	150.00	75.00	0.00	138
Mount Vernon	143	31	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	55	55	0	0	6	75.00	50.00	0.00	143
Junaluskee	145	64	7	8	8	8	0	1	0	0	7	5	243	246	3	1	32	150.00	55.00	35.00	145
Cherokee	146	65	4	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	139	140	1	0	3	60.00	30.00	0.00	146
Palmyra	147	28	8	2	3	2	0	0	0	3	1	3	295	293	-2	0	25	100.00	50.00	35.00	147
Adoniram	149	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	32	0	0	3	75.00	25.00	0.00	149
Pee Dee	150	38	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	76	69	-7	0	4	75.00	60.00	0.00	150

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Sanford	151	31	3	2	2	1	2	0	0	3	0	7	151	146	-5	0	11	50.00	45.00	0.00	151
Scotch Ireland	154	44	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	100	96	-4	0	7	100.00	50.00	0.00	154
White Stone	155	23	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	119	117	-2	0	8	50.00	50.00	35.00	155
Knap of Reeds	158	32	6	6	6	6	1	0	0	3	0	1	136	145	9	0	4	100.00	25.00	10.00	158
Yadkin	162	48	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	153	153	0	0	9	100.00	50.00	0.00	162
Archer	165	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	35	34	-1	0	3	50.00	40.00	0.00	165
Winston	167	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	10	187	176	-11	0	13	150.00	50.00	0.00	167
Blackmer	170	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	2	137	129	-8	1	10	100.00	35.00	0.00	170
Buffalo	172	31	3	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	178	173	-5	0	11	50.00	40.00	0.00	172
Mecklenburg	176	40	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	5	2	1	170	166	-4	0	8	100.00	40.00	0.00	176
Carthage	181	31	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	64	63	-1	0	4	100.00	40.00	0.00	181
Central Cross	187	18	5	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	72	73	1	1	1	50.00	35.00	0.00	187
Balfour	188	37	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	106	104	-2	0	13	150.00	30.00	0.00	188
Fair Bluff	190	13	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	33	0	0	3	100.00	50.00	0.00	190
Granite	191	27	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	88	89	1	0	2	100.00	50.00	1.00	191
Cary	198	26	4	1	1	1	2	0	0	5	2	7	258	249	-9	0	18	75.00	50.00	5.00	198
Cleveland	202	56	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	1	14	332	316	-16	0	30	75.00	50.00	5.00	202
Ronoke	203	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	40	35	-5	0	2	75.00	30.00	0.00	203
Long Creek	205	42	5	5	4	2	2	0	0	7	0	8	338	327	-11	0	10	100.00	45.00	0.00	205
Mingo	206	15	9	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	122	119	-3	0	3	50.00	50.00	0.00	206
Lebanon	207	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	137	135	-2	0	6	100.00	50.00	0.00	207
Mount Olive	208	16	3	3	2	2	0	0	0	3	1	1	156	155	-1	0	14	75.00	50.00	0.00	208
Eno	210	32	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	7	198	188	-10	0	22	100.00	35.00	10.00	210
Thomasville	214	45	8	5	5	0	2	0	0	1	3	9	234	231	-3	0	17	150.00	50.00	25.00	214
Catawba Valley	217	57	8	6	3	3	0	0	0	4	0	7	268	263	-5	1	15	125.00	55.00	25.00	217
William G. Hill	218	25	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	7	264	256	-8	0	33	75.00	45.00	0.00	218
Wilson	226	51	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	52	50	-2	0	3	65.00	30.00	0.00	226

Henderson	229	21	3	3	3	1	1	0	0	4	5	3	181	174	-7	1	22	100.00	60.00	10.00	229
Corinthian	230	18	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	3	7	202	194	-8	0	9	50.00	40.00	3.00	230
William T. Bain	231	24	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	6	2	3	101	94	-7	0	2	75.00	100.00	10.00	231
Lenoir	233	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	46	0	0	4	75.00	50.00	0.00	233
Mystic Tie	237	59	4	1	5	1	1	0	0	1	0	8	165	163	-2	0	12	75.00	36.00	10.00	237
Wiccacon	240	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	24	2	0	1	50.00	25.00	0.00	240
Grifton	243	5	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	116	114	-2	1	9	75.00	60.00	0.00	243
Monroe	244	39	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	3	4	6	302	293	-9	0	12	75.00	50.00	10.00	244
Catawba	248	53	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	123	120	-3	0	18	100.00	65.00	0.00	248
Pythagoras	249	10	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	134	135	1	0	9	150.00	50.00	0.00	249
Lee	253	51	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	5	132	128	-4	1	6	65.00	40.00	0.00	253
Kenly	257	27	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	61	60	-1	0	3	75.00	40.00	0.00	257
Fuquay	258	26	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	4	143	139	-4	0	7	75.00	40.00	0.00	258
Waynesville	259	63	3	3	3	2	0	0	0	1	1	7	194	190	-4	0	9	75.00	35.00	25.00	259
Excelsior	261	40	5	4	4	4	14	0	0	44	4	19	432	387	-45	1	43	100.00	45.00	0.00	261
Hibriten	262	57	3	3	3	1	3	0	0	9	1	8	322	311	-11	2	15	150.00	50.00	10.00	262
Gaston	263	55	12	10	13	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	175	183	8	1	6	125.00	45.00	5.00	263
Farmington	265	48	7	5	5	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	98	100	2	0	2	75.00	35.00	0.00	265
Dunn's Rock	267	60	2	2	3	4	0	0	0	9	1	6	226	217	-9	0	21	125.00	40.00	0.00	267
Tabasco	271	34	3	2	2	3	0	0	0	4	0	2	75	74	-1	0	1	75.00	20.00	0.00	271
Bingham	272	34	2	2	4	0	1	0	0	6	0	4	159	154	-5	0	5	150.00	40.00	5.00	272
Beaver Dam	276	39	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	113	111	-2	0	1	100.00	75.00	0.00	276
Green Level	277	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	81	79	-2	0	4	75.00	35.00	0.00	277
Rehoboth	279	12	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	39	40	1	0	4	50.00	50.00	0.00	279
Wake Forest	282	22	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	95	95	0	0	7	75.00	35.00	0.00	282
Eureka	283	44	8	6	7	6	1	0	0	0	4	3	222	229	7	2	11	0.00	50.00	0.00	283
Greenville	284	5	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	150	146	-4	0	15	50.00	50.00	0.00	284
Salem	289	46	5	4	4	2	0	0	0	9	3	9	430	415	-15	0	25	150.00	40.00	10.00	289
French Broad	292	62	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	186	182	-4	0	13	75.00	25.00	10.00	292
Vance	293	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	5	140	131	-9	0	17	100.00	50.00	10.00	293
Atlantic	294	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	46	0	0	4	50.00	40.00	0.00	294
Stonewall	296	5	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	72	73	1	0	11	50.00	40.00	0.00	296
Harmony	299	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	52	48	-4	0	5	0.00	30.00	50.00	299
Aurora	300	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	44	44	0	0	4	60.00	40.00	0.00	300
Clay	301	65	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	6	0	6	213	206	-7	0	27	75.00	50.00	25.00	301
Lillington	302	28	2	5	6	1	0	0	0	3	0	7	238	235	-3	0	13	50.00	40.00	0.00	302

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Pleasant Hill	304	11	8	9	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	173	177	4	0	5	75.00	50.00	2.50	304
Laurinburg	305	30	5	4	4	2	1	0	0	5	2	6	143	137	-6	2	7	125.00	75.00	0.00	305
Raeford	306	30	5	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	2	3	116	116	0	0	6	75.00	55.00	10.00	306
New Lebanon	314	1	4	4	5	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	102	105	3	0	8	85.00	45.00	0.00	314
Eureka	317	1	2	4	4	0	1	0	0	2	2	6	301	296	-5	0	19	100.00	45.00	6.00	317
Wilmington	319	10	6	6	6	4	1	0	0	1	2	10	356	354	-2	1	28	100.00	45.00	10.00	319
Selma	320	27	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	2	113	113	0	0	9	100.00	50.00	0.00	320
Granite	322	47	6	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	9	210	200	-10	0	25	100.00	40.00	1.00	322
Mattamuskeet	328	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	46	45	-1	0	4	75.00	40.00	25.00	328
Bayboro	331	6	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	0	3	101	93	-8	1	10	50.00	40.00	0.00	331
Fairview	339	56	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	9	1	256	241	-15	3	8	100.00	40.00	0.00	339
Harmony	340	16	6	5	6	2	1	0	0	0	3	1	84	89	5	0	4	125.00	50.00	0.00	340
Hickory	343	57	5	3	3	1	3	0	0	5	1	15	401	387	-14	1	20	125.00	50.00	0.00	343
Numa F. Reid	344	45	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	3	8	193	177	-16	0	18	75.00	50.00	0.00	344
Durham	348	38	6	6	6	0	0	0	0	10	1	11	220	206	-14	1	11	100.00	55.00	15.00	348
Fallston	352	32	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	21	378	350	-28	0	24	100.00	40.00	7.50	352
Bakerville	356	56	2	4	4	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	106	109	3	0	11	35.00	35.00	0.00	356
East LaPorte	358	64	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	97	93	-4	0	4	75.00	25.00	0.00	358
Mount Vernon	359	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	238	237	-1	1	18	100.00	37.00	0.00	359
Snow	363	49	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	77	73	-4	0	15	50.00	45.00	0.00	363
Gastonia	369	55	3	2	2	0	2	1	0	5	0	12	348	334	-14	0	21	100.00	45.00	0.00	369
Ashler	373	49	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	74	74	0	0	5	50.00	25.00	0.00	373
Campbell	374	52	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	83	85	2	0	3	75.00	30.00	0.00	374
State Line	375	56	3	3	3	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	62	62	0	0	0	75.00	50.00	0.00	375
Youngville	377	22	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	35	33	-2	0	1	75.00	75.00	0.00	377
Seaboard	378	19	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	33	34	1	1	6	50.00	25.00	0.00	378

Coharie	379	15	5	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	77	5	0	0	100.00	60.00	0.00	379
Granville	380	22	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	35	35	0	0	6	75.00	50.00	0.00	380
Forest City	381	59	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	7	0	1	161	155	-6	2	7	75.00	50.00	5.00	381
Jefferson Penn	384	35	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	4	1	9	201	189	-12	0	17	150.00	50.00	10.00	384
Pigeon River	386	63	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	4	1	4	146	139	-7	0	11	75.00	50.00	0.00	386
Kedron	387	60	6	7	8	4	0	0	0	5	2	7	278	276	-2	0	18	100.00	50.00	10.00	387
Mooresboro	388	56	3	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	139	138	-1	0	4	75.00	30.00	0.00	388
Copeland	390	47	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	4	123	117	-6	0	3	50.00	40.00	0.00	390
Lebanon	391	29	5	4	5	1	0	0	0	2	5	2	228	225	-3	0	8	100.00	50.00	0.00	391
Orient	395	10	8	6	6	1	1	0	0	2	0	4	231	233	2	2	8	100.00	45.00	0.00	395
Bald Creek	397	62	2	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	156	155	-1	0	7	75.00	35.00	35.00	397
Joppa	401	59	1	3	4	1	0	0	0	2	1	6	132	128	-4	0	7	75.00	30.00	30.00	401
Siler City	403	31	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	122	121	-1	0	13	100.00	50.00	0.00	403
Denton	404	45	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	73	72	-1	0	6	95.00	50.00	0.00	404
Ocean	405	8	4	2	3	3	0	1	0	3	0	11	314	305	-9	0	30	100.00	35.00	15.00	405
North Wilkesboro	407	50	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	4	1	2	128	123	-5	1	13	100.00	50.00	0.00	407
University	408	32	7	7	3	1	0	0	0	1	2	4	114	111	-3	0	16	125.00	60.00	0.00	408
Bula	409	34	3	4	4	1	0	0	0	1	2	8	194	188	-6	0	16	75.00	45.00	2.50	409
Bailey	411	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	64	60	-4	0	4	50.00	50.00	0.00	411
Henry F. Grainger	412	33	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	33	34	1	0	0	50.00	35.00	0.00	412
James A. Johnson	413	22	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	2	2	95	90	-5	0	8	75.00	50.00	5.00	413
Maxton	417	14	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	60	59	-1	0	3	50.00	30.00	0.00	417
Potecasi	418	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	4	10	125	106	-19	0	22	50.00	35.00	35.00	418
Harmon	420	48	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	57	57	0	0	3	100.00	40.00	100.00	420
Sparta	423	49	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	149	145	-4	0	7	75.00	30.00	0.00	423
Montgomery	426	65	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	117	116	-1	0	10	80.00	35.00	10.00	426
Oconee	427	64	3	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	93	94	1	0	1	100.00	35.00	0.00	427
Stokesdale	428	36	4	4	4	6	0	0	0	1	0	1	122	130	8	0	2	100.00	45.00	5.00	428
Seaside	429	9	7	4	4	3	1	0	0	1	1	6	219	219	0	0	15	100.00	50.00	15.00	429
Relief	431	28	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	114	113	-1	0	10	75.00	60.00	0.00	431
Piney Creek	432	49	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	64	64	0	0	1	50.00	15.00	0.00	432
Vanceboro	433	7	4	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	5	109	110	1	0	1	50.00	40.00	0.00	433
West Bend	434	48	5	4	2	3	4	0	0	7	1	2	141	140	-1	0	4	75.00	45.00	5.00	434
Blue Ridge	435	64	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	7	0	0	55	53	-2	0	2	50.00	12.00	0.00	435
Biscoe	437	38	4	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	146	147	1	0	8	50.00	25.00	0.00	437
Marble Springs	439	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	59	0	0	1	75.00	50.00	75.00	439

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Marietta	444	37	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	83	80	-3	0	3	75.00	40.00	0.00	444
Biltmore	446	61	4	3	3	2	2	0	2	0	0	10	2	12	428	411	-17	1	16	85.00	45.00	15.00	446
Enfield	447	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	74	72	-2	0	4	50.00	20.00	0.00	447
Clyde	453	63	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	73	72	-1	0	12	75.00	35.00	15.00	453
Elkin	454	47	3	0	4	0	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	5	183	181	-2	0	12	75.00	40.00	0.00	454
Dillboro	459	64	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	0	92	89	-3	0	3	125.00	45.00	25.00	459
Cliffside	460	59	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	160	157	-3	0	10	85.00	45.00	0.00	460
Matthews	461	41	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	277	272	-5	0	7	100.00	45.00	0.00	461
South Fork	462	54	4	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	145	147	-2	0	11	100.00	40.00	0.00	462
Currituck	463	1	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	107	105	-2	1	16	75.00	50.00	10.00	463
Grassy Knob	471	51	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	56	3	0	6	100.00	30.00	0.00	471
Sonoma	472	63	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	100	101	1	0	5	75.00	40.00	10.00	472
Lexington	473	45	4	3	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	222	221	-1	0	12	100.00	50.00	5.00	473
St Pauls	474	14	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	84	83	-1	0	2	50.00	50.00	50.00	474
Grimesland	475	5	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	84	83	-1	0	6	50.00	50.00	50.00	475
Rainbow	479	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	84	83	-1	1	3	50.00	35.00	10.00	482
Saluda	482	60	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	78	74	-4	0	2	90.00	35.00	0.00	482
Trephill	483	50	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	73	70	-3	0	3	100.00	40.00	0.00	483
Southern Pines	484	30	1	2	2	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	9	188	188	0	0	27	50.00	30.00	5.00	484
Lawndale	486	56	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	96	94	-2	0	0	60.00	30.00	0.00	486
Rich Square	488	19	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	34	34	0	0	5	0.00	25.00	0.00	488
Linville	489	58	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	95	92	-3	0	10	0.00	35.00	0.00	489
Thomas M Holt	491	61	5	4	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	5	199	200	1	0	12	75.00	50.00	0.00	491
Hominy	492	34	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	175	171	-4	1	6	100.00	40.00	10.00	492
Pilot	493	47	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	2	61	52	-9	0	2	50.00	60.00	10.00	493
Rockingham	495	30	1	1	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	7	209	205	-4	0	17	80.00	45.00	0.00	495
Moorestville	496	52	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	4	166	161	-5	0	9	150.00	40.00	0.00	496

Royal Hart	497	20	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	49	48	-1	0	3	50.00	25.00	0.00	497
Ayden	498	5	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	67	67	0	0	8	50.00	50.00	0.00	498
Creedmoor	499	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	56	52	-4	0	6	50.00	25.00	0.00	499
Raleigh	500	25	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	98	93	-5	0	11	75.00	55.00	10.00	500
Red Springs	501	14	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	89	84	-5	0	6	100.00	50.00	10.00	501
Cookville	502	57	17	9	9	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	148	156	8	1	1	75.00	40.00	0.00	502
Cherryville	505	55	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	239	234	-5	0	8	100.00	40.00	0.00	505
Belhaven	509	4	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	115	116	1	1	1	50.00	50.00	50.00	509
Whetstone	515	55	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	167	166	-1	0	5	100.00	40.00	25.00	515
Farmville	517	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	87	82	-5	0	6	60.00	50.00	0.00	517
Widow's Son	519	20	3	3	2	0	2	0	0	6	0	6	176	168	-8	0	8	100.00	50.00	50.00	519
Fairfield	520	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	42	1	0	3	50.00	30.00		520
Manteo	521	3	3	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	5	240	237	-3	0	20	75.00	40.00	15.00	521
Rodgers	525	17	8	7	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	56	65	9	0	1	50.00	35.00	0.00	525
Lucama	527	17	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	2	76	73	-3	0	12	50.00	40.00	40.00	527
Fairmont	528	14	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	124	122	-2	0	8	150.00	40.00	0.00	528
Andrews	529	65	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	7	2	3	159	151	-8	0	2	50.00	25.00	0.00	529
Joppa	530	41	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	7	8	17	430	400	-30	0	26	100.00	60.00	0.00	530
Hamlet	532	30	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	3	145	141	-4	0	5	100.00	100.00	15.00	532
Camp Call	534	56	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	115	116	1	0	5	75.00	35.00	0.00	534
Hollis	535	59	9	6	5	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	113	114	1	0	1	75.00	40.00	0.00	535
Corinthian	542	36	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	6	1	6	219	209	-10	0	17	100.00	45.00	15.00	542
Spencer	543	44	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	165	161	-4	0	9	100.00	35.00	0.00	543
Mount Holly	544	54	6	4	5	0	0	0	0	4	0	5	215	211	-4	0	8	100.00	40.00	0.00	544
Roman Eagle	550	30	4	3	3	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	125	125	0	0	6	85.00	50.00	10.00	550
Glenville	551	64	2	3	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	43	46	3	0	3	75.00	20.00	0.00	551
Revolution	552	36	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	3	2	9	560	550	-10	0	35	100.00	40.00	10.00	552
Vesper	554	58	4	3	1	0	1	0	0	6	0	4	187	179	-8	0	6	100.00	30.00	0.00	554
Elise	555	31	4	4	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	4	150	149	-1	2	15	100.00	35.00	0.00	555
Neill S. Stewart	556	28	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	139	138	-1	0	18	100.00	45.00	0.00	556
Ararat	558	47	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	42	3	0	0	60.00	35.00	0.00	558
Swannanoa	561	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	113	106	-7	0	5	80.00	25.00	5.00	561
Waxhaw	562	39	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	88	82	-6	1	4	75.00	50.00	0.00	562
Tabor	563	13	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	4	98	95	-3	0	1	100.00	50.00	10.00	563
Richlands	564	9	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	114	116	2	0	4	100.00	35.00	0.00	564
Wendell	565	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	105	97	-8	0	8	50.00	50.00	0.00	565

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Doric	568	7	2	3	3	2	1	0	0	6	7	10	424	407	-17	0	43	75.00	40.00	0.00	568
Snow Creek	571	51	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	73	72	-1	0	5	50.00	25.00	0.00	571
Mount Pleasant	573	50	3	4	4	0	0	0	0	8	1	1	123	117	-6	0	2	100.00	40.00	15.00	573
Andrew Jackson	576	44	6	4	4	1	0	0	0	1	3	4	285	282	-3	0	11	75.00	50.00	0.00	576
Meadow Branch	578	39	5	11	11	0	1	0	0	3	1	3	115	120	5	0	1	75.00	50.00	0.00	578
Caar	579	56	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	130	129	-1	1	5	60.00	25.00	0.00	579
Ionic	583	7	7	6	8	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	114	123	9	0	3	75.00	45.00	0.00	583
Apex	584	26	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	1	69	68	-1	0	2	75.00	35.00	10.00	584
Roseboro	585	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	72	71	-1	0	2	75.00	35.00	15.00	585
Bethel	589	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	36	1	0	2	50.00	75.00	0.00	589
Lowell	590	54	3	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	276	274	-2	0	7	125.00	40.00	0.00	590
Maiden	592	53	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	122	120	-2	0	9	100.00	50.00	0.00	592
Stony Point	593	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	77	-1	0	0	60.00	35.00	0.00	593
Ash	594	49	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	4	173	169	-4	0	7	75.00	35.00	0.00	594
Wallace	595	12	2	0	0	0	6	0	0	3	1	1	96	100	4	1	13	75.00	50.00	0.00	595
Waccamaw	596	13	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	99	96	-3	0	1	75.00	50.00	0.00	596
Cranberry	598	18	2	4	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	116	120	4	1	7	75.00	25.00	0.00	598
Queen City	602	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	128	120	-8	0	4	50.00	40.00	5.00	602
Jeff L. Nelson	605	60	1	1	5	1	1	0	0	1	1	4	78	74	-4	0	3	75.00	40.00	10.00	605
Riverside	606	53	5	5	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	9	177	169	-8	0	5	100.00	40.00	0.00	606
Chabourn	607	13	0	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	75	78	3	1	4	50.00	40.00	0.00	607
Zebulon	609	23	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	61	60	-1	0	2	50.00	40.00	0.00	609
Atkinson	612	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	54	53	-1	0	5	160.00	60.00	0.00	612
Home	613	16	5	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	48	3	0	4	50.00	35.00	0.00	613
Round Peak	616	47	3	7	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	6	203	211	8	4	11	100.00	30.00	0.00	616
St. Patrick's	617	27	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	86	79	-7	0	3	75.00	50.00	0.00	617
Union	618	43	3	2	5	2	1	0	0	6	0	4	181	179	-2	0	6	100.00	50.00	0.00	618

John H. Mills	624	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	41	40	-1	0	2	0.00	50.00	0.00	624
Cannon Memorial	626	43	1	2	2	0	2	0	0	12	4	10	318	296	-22	0	26	100.00	50.00	10.00	626
Belmont	627	54	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	6	185	180	-5	0	9	125.00	45.00	0.00	627
Walnut Cove	629	35	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	93	88	-5	0	4	130.00	45.00	0.00	629
Francis S Packard	630	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	41	39	-2	0	2	75.00	50.00	0.00	630
Goldsboro	634	16	7	6	6	1	2	1	0	5	1	6	227	223	-4	2	12	125.00	45.00	0.00	634
Yadkin Falls	637	38	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	67	60	-7	0	4	50.00	50.00	1.00	637
Proctorville	643	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	70	68	-2	0	1	100.00	50.00	0.00	643
Bladen	646	13	4	3	3	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	172	172	0	2	4	100.00	35.00	1.00	646
John A. Nichols	650	61	7	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	104	102	-2	0	12	85.00	40.00	20.00	650
Elberta	654	30	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	4	1	2	90	86	-4	1	5	75.00	35.00	5.00	654
Guilford	656	36	3	2	2	0	1	0	0	4	3	7	257	246	-11	0	9	100.00	60.00	7.50	656
Keller Memorial	657	44	16	16	16	1	0	0	0	4	1	6	343	349	6	1	10	100.00	30.00	30.00	657
Beulaville	658	12	5	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	94	96	2	0	1	50.00	40.00	0.00	658
Black Mountain	663	61	6	4	3	3	1	0	0	2	2	6	193	190	-3	1	10	80.00	35.00	10.00	663
Garland	664	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	41	41	0	0	3	100.00	50.00	0.00	664
West Asheville	665	61	3	3	2	0	1	0	0	5	4	5	149	138	-11	0	4	0.00	50.00	0.00	665
Fort Bragg	667	29	7	6	5	0	4	0	0	13	5	7	418	402	-16	1	14	100.00	50.00	25.00	667
Holland Memorial	668	55	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	9	0	4	216	208	-8	0	10	100.00	45.00	0.00	668
Kernersville	669	46	7	6	6	4	1	0	0	10	1	4	272	268	-4	0	12	100.00	35.00	5.00	669
Lovelady	670	57	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	116	111	-5	0	9	100.00	50.00	0.00	670
Robbinsville	672	65	5	3	3	2	3	0	0	3	0	3	223	225	2	3	9	50.00	30.00	0.00	672
Spindale	673	59	2	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	119	120	1	0	10	40.00	40.00	100.00	673
Acacia	674	45	4	3	3	0	1	0	0	3	1	4	171	167	-4	0	8	75.00	50.00	0.00	674
Washington	675	4	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	6	123	117	-6	0	13	50.00	50.00	0.00	675
Temple	676	42	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	7	299	292	-7	0	25	100.00	50.00	0.00	676
Warsaw	677	12	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	73	70	-3	0	7	75.00	50.00	0.00	677
Providence	678	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	84	76	-8	0	8	75.00	40.00	10.00	678
Creasy Proctor	679	29	19	13	12	5	3	0	0	16	5	12	648	635	-13	0	19	100.00	50.00	25.00	679
Semper Fidelis	680	9	10	3	4	2	2	0	0	11	2	8	278	265	-13	0	8	100.00	50.00	0.00	680
Piedmont	681	45	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	93	91	-2	0	7	75.00	50.00	10.00	681
Rolesville	683	23	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	78	78	0	0	1	75.00	50.00	0.00	683
Pioneer	685	46	2	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	8	163	158	-5	0	9	150.00	45.00	5.00	685
Angier	686	28	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	102	101	-1	0	3	100.00	50.00	0.00	686
Fellowship	687	32	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	6	185	177	-8	0	6	100.00	35.00	17.50	687
Cherry Point	688	8	4	3	3	0	0	0	0	22	5	3	259	232	-27	0	5	100.00	50.00	10.00	688

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Scotland Neck	689	20	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	65	61	-4	0	1	75.00	25.00	0.00	689
Mount Moriah	690	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	4	1	134	116	-16	0	11	60.00	50.00	0.00	690
Renfro	691	47	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	165	160	-5	1	8	100.00	30.00	0.00	691
East Gate	692	40	11	8	8	1	4	0	0	10	17	14	530	502	-28	1	7	100.00	40.00	0.00	692
Charles M. Setzer	693	41	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	2	10	228	214	-14	0	12	100.00	40.00	5.00	693
Gate City	694	36	4	3	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	6	324	317	-7	0	10	100.00	40.00	10.00	694
Allen-Graham	695	43	4	4	5	0	0	0	0	3	0	8	387	381	-6	0	8	100.00	40.00	10.00	695
Memorial	696	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	175	169	-6	0	9	100.00	50.00	0.00	696
Butner	697	33	2	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	69	69	0	0	4	100.00	35.00	0.00	697
Cape Hatteras	698	3	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	102	103	1	0	4	75.00	40.00	0.00	698
Asheboro	699	37	13	9	8	0	0	0	0	6	1	5	220	216	-4	0	4	75.00	35.00	0.00	699
Friendship	700	41	6	2	3	2	0	0	0	1	3	2	130	129	-1	0	2	100.00	45.00	0.00	700
Garner	701	24	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	148	145	-3	0	2	75.00	50.00	0.00	701
St. Andrew	702	40	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	6	124	117	-7	0	1	100.00	45.00	0.00	702
Albemarle	703	38	5	10	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	269	273	4	0	4	100.00	50.00	0.00	703
King Solomon	704	65	3	3	3	0	2	0	0	8	0	8	200	189	-11	0	5	100.00	45.00	0.00	704
Richard Caswell	705	11	3	2	2	1	3	0	0	7	3	5	232	223	-9	0	1	100.00	50.00	0.00	705
Newport	706	8	6	6	5	1	0	0	0	3	2	4	133	130	-3	0	8	100.00	40.00	0.00	706
Forsyth	707	46	4	4	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	128	128	0	0	1	150.00	50.00	11.00	707
Crown Point	708	5	11	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	3	3	198	198	0	0	7	50.00	50.00	0.00	708
Conover	709	53	2	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	1	3	129	128	-1	1	5	100.00	50.00	0.00	709
Advance	710	48	5	2	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	144	143	-1	0	0	150.00	50.00	0.00	710
Piedmont	711	46	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	4	74	69	-5	0	0	150.00	45.00	10.00	711
Wilson	712	17	3	3	3	0	2	0	0	0	1	2	167	167	0	0	4	100.00	50.00	50.00	712
Stanley	713	8	1	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	205	208	3	0	1	100.00	35.00	0.00	713
Liberty	714	37	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	80	79	-1	0	1	75.00	45.00	0.00	714
Derita	715	42	1	4	4	2	1	0	0	9	4	8	344	330	-14	0	6	100.00	50.00	9.00	715

Burnsville	717	62	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	120	118	-2	0	3	75.00	35.00	0.00	717
Troy	718	38	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	88	86	-2	0	1	85.00	35.00	0.00	718
Horse Creek	719	60	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	62	64	2	0	4	75.00	45.00	45.00	719
Cabarrus	720	43	4	6	6	0	2	0	0	5	2	3	216	214	-2	0	2	0.00	75.00	0.00	720
Burlington	721	34	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	5	3	9	148	133	-15	0	2	75.00	50.00	0.00	721
King	722	46	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	146	144	-2	0	1	100.00	50.00	0.00	722
Winton	723	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	30	29	-1	0	0	50.00	25.00	10.00	723
Berne	724	7	2	1	1	3	5	0	0	6	2	10	214	205	-9	0	5	75.00	35.00	0.00	724
Grantham	725	7	9	9	10	1	1	0	0	3	5	5	176	175	-1	0	6	75.00	50.00	0.00	725
Keystone	726	41	1	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	1	2	124	126	2	0	1	100.00	48.00	0.00	726
Shallotte	727	13	9	8	11	12	3	0	0	2	4	7	383	396	13	2	8	150.00	35.00	15.00	727
Meridian	728	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	95	88	-7	0	4	100.00	55.00	0.00	728
Twin County	729	18	4	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	171	167	-4	0	2	50.00	40.00	0.00	729
Stedman	730	29	7	6	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	72	77	5	0	1	100.00	50.00	10.00	730
John Huske Anderson	731	29	8	5	5	2	1	0	0	4	3	5	219	215	-4	0	4	100.00	45.00	5.00	731
Bush Hill	732	37	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	1	111	108	-3	0	3	75.00	48.00	5.00	732
Stump Sound	733	9	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	120	118	-2	0	2	75.00	45.00	0.00	733
William Pitt	734	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	96	91	-5	0	0	50.00	50.00	0.00	734
James B Green	735	25	5	4	3	3	1	0	0	3	2	4	159	157	-2	0	2	75.00	55.00	25.00	735
New River	736	9	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	1	1	3	147	145	-2	0	2	100.00	50.00	0.00	736
Steele Creek	737	42	2	3	3	3	0	0	0	6	0	13	358	345	-13	2	6	100.00	50.00	10.00	737
West Gate	738	42	17	14	13	4	2	0	0	5	0	14	443	443	0	0	6	100.00	50.00	0.00	738
Newell	739	40	7	8	8	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	193	195	2	0	0	100.00	50.00	50.00	739
Charles B Newcomb	740	24	5	3	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	54	54	0	0	0	75.00	60.00	0.00	740
Crissie Wright	741	8	8	7	7	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	186	190	4	1	2	100.00	35.00	10.00	741
Mint Hill	742	41	29	29	26	11	1	0	0	6	1	3	372	400	28	1	6	100.00	55.00	0.00	742
J J Crowder	743	25	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	59	60	1	0	0	75.00	75.00	0.00	743
Shelby	744	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	125	122	-3	0	1	75.00	40.00		744
Vandora	745	24	5	4	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	100	102	2	0	2	75.00	60.00	0.00	745
P P Turner	746	36	5	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	199	201	2	1	4	100.00	55.00	6.00	746
Ocracoke	747	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	38	1	0	0	50.00	35.00	0.00	747
Truth	749	39	13	12	13	5	1	0	0	5	1	3	183	193	10	4	0	0.00	50.00	10.00	749
Oak Grove	750	32	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	2	4	7	172	162	-10	0	0	100.00	45.00	0.00	750
Old Town	751	46	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	5	2	4	236	229	-7	0	6	150.00	50.00	0.00	751
Enterprise	752	46	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	119	116	-3	0	2	75.00	60.00	10.00	752
Federal Point	753	10	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	5	1	4	101	93	-8	0	4	100.00	45.00	0.00	753

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Masters	754	25	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	53	56	3	0	1	75.00	50.00	50.00	754
Clemmons	755	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	97	94	-3	0	4	0.00	60.00	0.00	755
Clifford Duell	756	29	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	74	72	-2	0	0	100.00	50.00	5.00	756
Denver	757	63	6	5	4	2	0	0	0	2	1	1	127	129	2	0	1	0.00	40.00	0.00	757
Oak Island	758	10	3	1	2	3	0	0	0	7	1	6	119	110	-9	2	3	100.00	40.00	0.00	758
James K Polk	759	42	4	4	4	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	138	142	4	0	1	100.00	75.00	5.00	759
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